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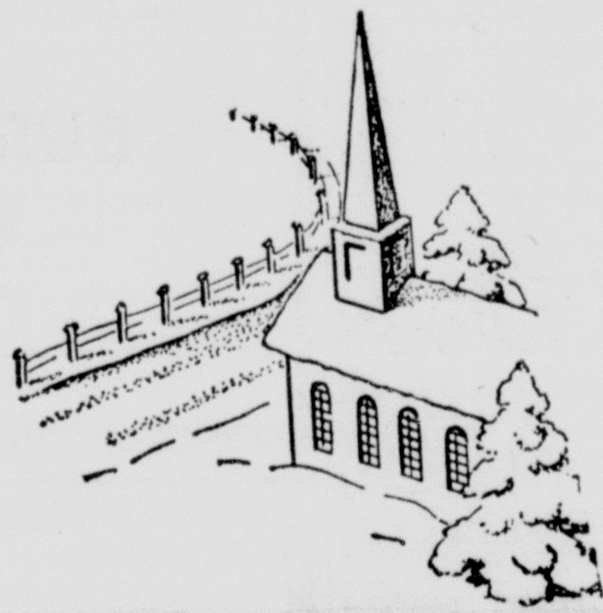
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## My First Christmas Tree

By Hamlin Garland



I will begin by saying that we never had a Christmas tree in our house in the Wisconsin coulee; indeed, my father never saw one in a family circle till he saw that which I set up for my own children last year. But we celebrated Christmas in those days, always, and I cannot remember a time when we did not all hang up our stockings for "Sandy Claws" to fill. As I look back upon those days it seems as if the snows were always deep, the night sky clear, and the stars especially lustrous with frosty sparkles of blue and yellow fire and probably this was so, for we lived in a northern land where winter was usually stern and always long.

I recall one Christmas when "Sandy" brought me a sled, and a horse that stood on rollers—a wonderful tin horse which I very shortly split in two to see what his insides were. Father traded a cord of wood for the sled, and the horse cost twenty cents—but they made the day wonderful.

Another notable Christmas Day, as I stood in our front yard, mid-leg deep in snow, a neighbor drove by closely muffled in furs, while behind his seat his son, a lad of twelve or fifteen, stood beside a barrel of apples, and as he passed me he hurled a glorious big red one at me. It missed me, but bored a deep, round hole in the snow. I thrill yet at the remembered joy of burrowing for that delicious bomb. Nothing will ever smell quite as good as that Wine Sap or northern Spy or whatever it was. It was a wayward impulse on the part of the boy in the sleigh, but it warms my heart after more than forty years.

We had no chimney in our home, but the stocking-hanging was a ceremony nevertheless. My parents, and especially my mother, entered into it with the best of humor. They always put up their own stockings or permitted us to do it for them—and they always laughed next morning when they found potatoes or ears of corn in them. I can see now that my mother's laugh had a tear in it, for she loved pretty things and seldom got any during the years that we lived in the coulee.

When I was ten years old we moved to Mitchell County, an Iowa Prairie land, and there we prospered in such wise that our stockings always held toys of some sort, and even my mother's stocking occasionally sagged with a simple piece of jewelry or a new comb or brush. But the thought of a family tree remained a luxury of millionaire city dwellers; indeed it was not until my fifteenth or sixteenth year that our Sunday school rose to the extravagance of a tree, and it is of this wondrous festival that I write.

The land about us was only partly cultivated at this time, and our district schoolhouse, a bare little box, was set bleakly on the prairie; but the Burr Oak schoolhouse was not only larger but it stood beneath great oaks as well and possessed the charm of a forest background through which a stream ran silently. It was our chief social center.

There of a Sunday a preacher held "Devine service" with Sunday school as a sequence. At night—usually on Friday nights—the young people let in "Ly-ceums", as we called them, to debate great questions or to "speak pieces" and read essays; and here it was that I saw my first Christmas tree.

I walked to that tree across four miles of moonlit snow. Snow? No, it was a floor of diamonds, a magical world, so beautiful that my heart still aches with the wonder of it and the regret that it has all gone—gone with the keen eye and the bounding pulses of the boy.

Our home at this time was a small frame house on the prairie almost directly on the West of the Burr Oak grove, and as it was too cold to take the horses out my brother and I, with our tall boots, our visored caps and our long woolen mufflers, started forth afoot defiant of the cold. We left the gate on a trot, bound for a sight of the glittering unknown. The snow was deep and we moved side by side in the groves made by the hoofs of the horses, setting our feet in the shine left by the broad shoes of the wood sleighs whose going had smoothed the way for us.

Our breaths rose like smoke in the still air. It must have been ten below zero, but that did not trouble us in those days, and at last we came in sight of the lights, in sound of the singing, the laughter, the bells of the feast.

It was a poor little building without tower or bell and its low walls had but three windows on a side, and yet it seemed very imposing to me that night as I crossed the threshold and faced the strange people who packed it to the door. I say "strange people", for tho I had seen most of them many times they all seemed somehow alien to me that night. I was an irregular attendant at Sunday School and did not expect a present, therefore I stood against the wall and gazed with open-eyed marveling at the shining pine which stood where the pulpit was wont to be. I was made to feel the more embarrassed by reason of the remarks of a boy who accused me of having forgotten to comb my hair.

This was not true, but the cap I wore always matted my hair down over my brow, and then, when I lifted it off invariably dis-arranged it completely. Nevertheless I felt guilty and hot. I don't suppose my hair was artistically barbered that night—I rather guess mother had used the shears and I can believe I looked the half-wild colt that I was; but there was no call for that youth to direct attention to my unavoidable shagginess.

I don't think the tree had many candles, and I don't remember that it glittered with golden apples. But it was loaded with presents, and the girls coming and going clothed in bright garments made me forget to remove my overcoat, which was a sodden thing of poor cut and worse quality. I think I must have stood agape for nearly two hours listening to the song noting every motion of Adoniram Burtch and Asa Walker as they directed the ceremonies and prepared the way for the great event—that is to say, for the coming of Santa Claus himself.



A furious jingling of bells, a loud voice outside, the lifting of a window, the nearing clash of bells, and the dear old Santa appeared (in the person of Stephen Bartle) clothed in a red robe, a belt of sleigh bells, and a long white beard. The children cried out, "Oh!" The girls tittered and shrieked with excitement, and the boys laughed and clapped their hands. Then "Sandy" made a little speech about being glad to see us all, but as he had many other places to visit, and as there were a great many presents he guessed he'd have to ask some of the pretty girls to help him. So he called up Betty Burtch and Hattie Knapp—and I for one admired his taste, for they were the most popular maids of the school.

They came up blushing, and a little bewildered by the blaze of publicity thus blown upon them. But their native dignity asserted itself, and the distribution of the presents began. I have a notion now that the fruit upon the tree was mostly bags of popcorn and "corny copias" of candy, but as my brother and I stood there that night and saw everybody even the rowdiest boy, getting something we felt aggrieved and rebellious. We forgot that we had come from afar—we only knew that we were being left out.

But suddenly, in the midst of our gloom, my brother's name was called, and a lovely girl with a gentle smile handed him a bag of popcorn. My heart glowed with gratitude. Somebody had thought of us; and when she came to me saying, "Here's something for you," I had not words to thank her. This happened nearly forty years ago, but her smile, her outstretched hand, her sympathetic eyes are vividly before me as I write. She was sorry for the shock headed boy who stood against the wall, and her pity made the little box of candy a casket of pearls. The fact that I swallowed the jewels on the road home does not take from the reality of my adoration.

At last I had to take my final glimpse of that wondrous tree, and I well remember the walk home. My brother and I traveled in wordless companionship. The moon was sinking toward the west, and the snow crust gleamed with a million fairy lamps. The sentinel watchdogs barked from lonely farmhouses, and the wolves answered from the ridges. Now and then sleighs passed us with lovers sitting two and two, and the bells on their horses had the remote music of romance to us whose boots drummed like clogs of wood upon the icy road.

Our house was dark as we approached and entered it, but how deliciously warm it seemed after the pitiless wind! I confess we made straight for the cupboard for a mince pie, a doughnut and a bowl of milk!

As I write this there stands in my library a thick-branched, beautiful tapering fir tree covered with gold and purple apples of Hesperides, together with crystal ice points, green and red and yellow candles, clusters of gilded grapes, wreathes of metallic frost, and glittering angels swinging in ecstasy; but I doubt if my children will ever know the keen pleasure (that is almost pain) which came to my brother and to me in those Christmas days when an orange was not a breakfast fruit, but a casket of incense and of spice, a message from the Sun-lands of the South.

That was our compensation—we brought to our Christmas time a keen appetite and empty hands. And the lesson of it all is, if we are seeking a lesson, that it is better to give to those who want than to those for whom "we ought to do something because they did something for us last year".



Dear Santa:  
I want a rubber doll and some clothes. Please bring my little sister a rubber doll, too. Bring my little brother a big ball and some cars. Please bring my big brother some boots and guns.  
Your friend,  
PATRICIA GRIMES

Dear Santa:  
I want a red cap with red ear muffs on it. I would like a pair of tennis shoes and leather gloves also a monkey set and some candy.  
Your friend,  
EDDIE WAYNE WILLIAMS


Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a doll. Most of all I want a Bible and if it is not too much trouble I want a dolls highchair and some candy.  
Love,  
CAROLYN KNIPP

Dear Santa:  
I want a baseball, glove and bicycle and a khaki coat. Please bring my little brother a rattler.  
Your friend,  
CHARLES KIRK

Dear Santa:  
I would like a doll and some books. I would like a house coat and house shoes too. Also some roller skates.  
Your friend,  
BEVERLY DIANE WALLACE

Dear Santa:  
I want a football and some candy. A bicycle and a bat and glove.  
Your friend,  
ALFRED VRASEL

Dear Santa:  
I am writing this letter to tell you what I want for Christmas, this is what I want. Please bring me a pair of pink socks and pair of tap shoes, a car bed for my doll. Please bring me some doll clothes, too. My dogs want a collar. I want a brownie tooth brush, too. I hope you can bring me these things.  
Love,  
ANN JOHNS SWIFT



**LETTERS TO  
SANTA CLAUS**

Dear Santa:  
Will you please bring me a twenty two, a BB gun and a ring and some candy.  
Your friend,  
JOHN H. DAVIS

Dear Santa:  
I want a sewing machine and a blue dress and some candy.  
Your friend,  
CHARLENE

Dear Santa:  
I want a baseball and glove. I would like a bicycle and a Roy Rogers watch. Some candy and nuts.  
Your friend,  
JESSE SMITH

Dear Santa:  
I would like a little doll that can say Mama and papa and a doll suitcase and a baton. Merry Christmas.  
Love,  
PEGGY WILSON

Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy nine years old. I hope you will bring me one of those Bo Bo clowns and a pair of boxing gloves and a chemistry set. Don't forget everyone.  
Your friend,  
DWIGHT MOODY, Jr.

Dear Santa:  
I want a ball, a glove, a bat and a ball point pen. My little brother wants a football and tricycle, a crayon book and some crayons.  
Love,  
DONALD RIVERS



**Tell the  
truth  
about  
Santa**

Among the myriad problems which beset parents at Christmas time are the many questions from the small-try about Santa Claus. And the business of telling Junior or his little sister the truth about the jolly old gentleman in the red suit is really a major task.

However, the situation is bound to arise, and when it does, it does something to your heart strings—so you draw the little ones close and cast about for the best explanation.

Oddly enough, the true story is best—and the easiest to tell. So why not just tell the little ones this?:

St. Nicholas (or Nicolas) is Santa Claus' real name. He lived in Asia Minor and was the beloved bishop of the Greek church of Myra in Lycia. He is the patron saint of the young, and in some European countries a person dressed as a bishop still assembles the children and distributes gifts of nuts, sweetmeats and other nice things to the good boys and girls.

Children loved St. Nicholas and trudged along beside him as he trudged the dusty roads of the Lycia countryside, bringing fruit and candy to the sick and needy.

One of many stories told of his goodness concerns a poor and honest man and his three good and beautiful daughters. The father was unhappy for poverty prevented his giving the customary dowries to his daughters, and for this reason they could never have suitable husbands.

One night a bag of coins was tossed in at the man's window. The next night the act was repeated. But on the third night the father watched, and the anonymous giver was detected. The jolly bishop stood with the third bag of coins in his hands. The father was very proud and would not accept the money. The good bishop begged the poor man to accept the gifts and use them for his daughters' dowries, requesting that his name never be revealed.

At last, the father accepted the money for his daughters, but he could not keep the name of the generous bishop secret — so the legend of the goodness of St. Nicholas was further spread and strengthened.

The practice of placing burning candles in the windows on Christmas eve is tied up with an Irish custom which holds the thought of the Christ child alone in the dark, needing light for his way.

When buying toys for children remember that those of the constructive types are best—they develop the youngsters' ingenuity.

Dear Santa:  
For Christmas I want a baseball bat. I want a bicycle and a cap gun and a box of caps. I want some candy too. I am eight years old.  
Love,  
ROGER TERRY

Dear Santa:  
I want a baton, a wagon and a doll. Some Candy, too.  
Love,  
DORTHA WHITE

Dear Santa:  
I want a baton, a watch and some candy. My little brother wants a football and a gun and some candy.  
Love,  
MARY FRANCES LESIKAR

Dear Santa:  
I am in the third grade and nine years old. Please bring me a Roy Rogers watch. I would like a doll and a small white Bible.  
Your friend,  
MARY JANE VOGELSANG

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a Bible. My little brother wants a car. I want a coo doll too.  
Love,  
BEVERLY ANN DAVIDSON

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Dear Santa:  
I want a baseball bat and baseball glove, a baseball, BB gun and a cub scout suit.  
Your friend,  
JACKIE ALLEN

Dear Santa Claus:  
I would like for you to bring me a doll with a layette, a doll buggy and some nuts. Please remember my little brother, Phil who is four months old.  
Love,  
LINDA THWEATT

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy nine years old. I want a wagon, a football and bat and glove. Please don't forget my family and children of other lands.  
Your friend,  
ROBERT GLASER, Jr.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am eight years old and in the third grade. I want a big doll and a doll house, a big ball and a baton. Please bring me a sack of candy, nuts and fruit. I love you.  
Your friend,  
CAROL GREGORY

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a new suit and a tie, too. I want a baseball, gloves and Jolly green giant.  
Your friend,  
BILLY HENSLEY

Dear Santa:  
I want a cub scout suit and a baseball suit.  
Love,  
ARCHIE LEE MRAZ

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a baseball, bat, glove, BB gun and a ball point pen. Please bring me a pair of Sunday shoes, too. Candy, nuts, fruits and a gun and a box of caps.  
Love your friend,  
GRADY THOMAS GILL



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Produced by ROBERT ARTHUR - A Universal-International Picture

**CAMERON THEATRE**  
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**Merry Christmas**

May the Christmas bells play their sweetest music to bring you full happiness at Christmas

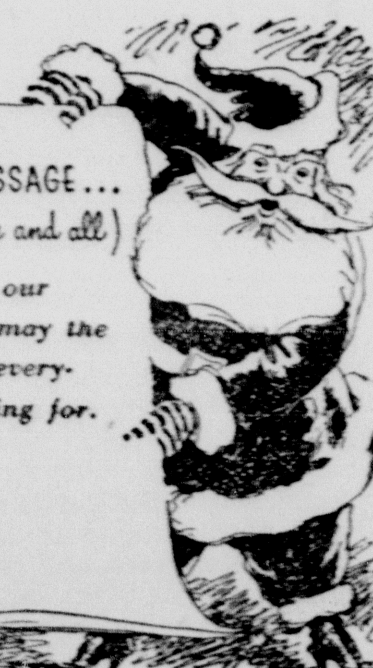
**BURRIS-MOSELEY  
Variety Store**  
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**A Merry Christmas  
TO YOU AND THOSE  
ABOUT YOU**

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COTTON**


MANAGER TEXAS COTTON CO-OPERATIVE ASSOCIATION



**OUR Christmas MESSAGE...**  
(to one and all)

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PHONE 780



**The Season's Greetings**

In the glistening lights and merry manner of the Christmas Season, may you find complete happiness and joyous festivity.

And in the calmness of Christmas Day it is our sincere hope that you will find deep and abiding faith to carry you through the years ahead.

**Woodrow Lowe**  
AGENT  
HUMBLE OIL & REFINING COMPANY



Dear Santa Claus:

How are you? I want a box of BB's, a puppy and some long sleeved shirts, candy, fruit, nuts and a pair of rubber boots.

Your friend,  
WAYNE HAIRSTON

Dear Santa:

I would like a toni doll and a new ring. Also a car seat for my doll and I would like a brownie tooth brush.

Love,  
LAURA SWIFT

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a boy in the third grade. I would like a flying circus, a baseball glove, a gun and a holster for Christmas. Please bring me some candy,

Your friend,  
Allen Dodson

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Dear Santa Claus:

I want a bicycle, a baseball glove, a pair of jeans, a cowboy shirt and a box of candy.

With love,  
Your friend,  
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Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a baseball and an airgun. I would like some candy, nuts and fruit.

Your friend,  
FORRESTER JUERGENS

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a baseball and an airgun. I would like some candy, nuts and fruit.

Your friend,  
FORRESTER JUERGENS

Dear Santa Claus:

I was trying to be a good little boy this year. I am in the first grade. I want a car, gun, cowboy shirt, and some cowboy boots and I want some candy, nuts and fruit. Don't forget the other boys and girls and my teacher Mrs. Sam Houston.

Your friend,  
SINNIR RAY FULLER

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl in the third grade. Please bring me a great big doll, a bicycle, a dress and a pair of shoes. Please bring me some candy, nuts and fruit.

Your friend,  
BARBARA COWARD

Dear Santa:

I am just five years old and I would really be glad if you would bring me a big red wagon for Christmas and some fruit and candy. Don't forget my grandmother Beckhusen and grandmother Woods. Also bring mother and daddy Tim something. I tried to be a good boy this year.

I love you,  
HANSFORD A. WOODS

Dear Santa:

I have tried to be a good girl this year. I am 12 years old and in the seventh grade. Please bring me a wrist watch with Roy Rogers and Trigger's picture in it. Bring me a pair of House shoes and a sweater for Christmas. And don't forget my teacher, Mrs. Sam Houston. Please bring my family and other children something, too. Please don't forget the nuts, candy and fruit.

Your friend,  
FRANCES M. HORLICK

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Dear Santa Claus:

I am in the third grade. My name is Iris Anita Brasher. I want a doll, a bicycle, boots and a baton. I have not been very bad. I want some fire works, candy, fruit and nuts.

With love,  
IRIS BRASHER

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy. I am ten years old and I hope you will bring me a gun and holster and some fruit. Also remember the other children all over the world. Thank you.

Your friend,  
HAL WHITE

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy nine years old. I hope you will bring me a bicycle and some apples.

Your friend,  
ROY LEE HALPAIN

Dear Santa Claus:

We have been waiting for you all the year. Our names are Carol and Bobbie and we are 5 and 4 years old. We have tried to be very good children and hope you won't forget us at Christmas. There are a lot of toys that we want, but we will take anything you bring us. Hoping you will visit our house at 604 W. Main street.

CAROL AND BOBBY VAUGHAN

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl nine years old. I hope you will bring me a volley ball and a house coat. And also bring my two little sisters a doll and a doll buggy. And remember my mother and daddy. Thank you. Good bye.

Your friend,  
LORENE CONLEY

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a tractor and a rake. I have a brother who wants a tractor and a rake also. Bring my baby brother a ball, a little wagon. I want some candy, nuts and fruit.

Your friend,  
LEO ROZNER

Dear Santa:

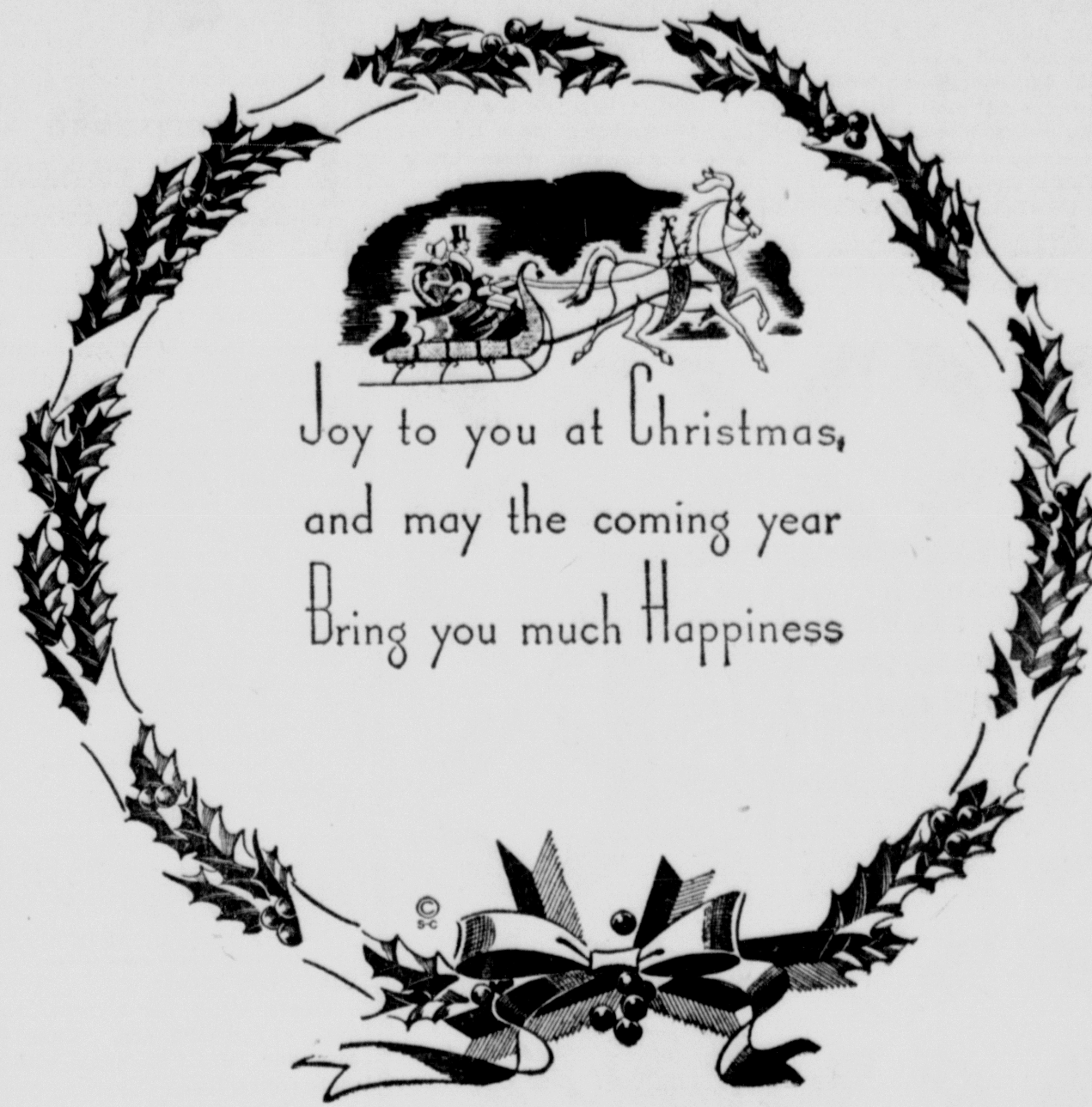
I want a gun and some nuts and fruit. I have a little brother and he wants a tricycle and I have a little sister and she wants a doll and some dishes.

Your friend,  
EUGENE MICHALKA

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a bicycle, a scabard and gun. I would like a jeep. Please bring me some fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget my little sister and brothers.

Your friend,  
RALPH TAEGEL



## McDonald Plumbing Shop

PHONE 452



# Season's

# GREETINGS

And  
The Best  
of Good Wishes

As Christmas is here we bring  
you a wish for every joy and gladness  
and a thank you for everything.

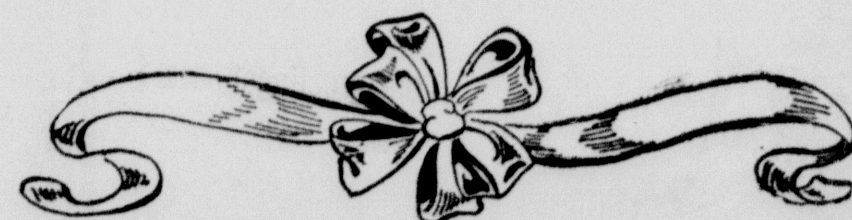
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ishing you  
a very merry  
Christmas...



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Dear Santa Claus:

I am seven years old and in the second grade. I go to Ben Arnold school. I have tried to be a good little girl and hope you think so too. You have always been good to me and hope you will bring me a cash register and bank. Please remember my little sisters.

Your friend,  
GLORIA JOYCE MILLER

Dear Santa Claus:

I have tried to be a good boy. Please bring me a guitar, cowboy hat, ball, bat and gloves. Bring my little sister a doll and a big red ball and some dishes. Hope I can see you this Christmas in person.

Yours truly,  
CARROLL RAY RICHTER  
JUDY RICHTER

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl nine years old and my name is Barbara Ann Glass. I am writing to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a jump rope, dolly that will open and shut her eyes and some boots and also some fruit, nuts and candy. My baby sister wants a tricycle and a rattler to shake and a few blocks and also bring her some fruit, nuts and candy.

Your friend,  
BARBARA ANN GLASS  
LINDA PEARL GLASS

Dear Santa:

I think I have been a good little boy. Please bring me a tricycle and lawn mower. And please bring my little sister Charlotte a doll.

I love you,  
DOUGLAS EARL McFARLAND

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Dear Santa Claus:

I am eight years old. I am in the third grade. I go to Ben Arnold school. Please bring me a little toy refrigerator, a Monopoly game and school supplies. My sister is five years old. Please bring Merlene a toy baking set, colors and a coloring book. Please bring Mother and Daddy something. Please bring toys for the other boys and girls.

With lots of love,  
MERLENE AND NORMA  
JEAN RUMMEL

This is my Route and my daddy's name.

Mr. Arnold Rummel  
Route 1  
Burlington, Texas

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a gun and a scabbard, cowboy boots, a cowboy shirt and some jeans. I would like some candy and nuts.

Your friend,  
ANTON JR., KOPRIVA

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a rope, and a gun, a scabbard and some little cars and trucks to play with and some fruits, too.

Your friend,  
VALENTINE HERNANDEZ

Dear Santa Claus:

I was trying to be a good girl this year. I am nine years old and I am in the fourth grade. I want a bicycle and a dresser set and a bat and ball and some nuts, fruit and some candy. Don't forget my little brother and the other boys and girls and my teacher, Mrs. Sam Houston.

Your friend,  
VLASTA ANN HRACHONY

Dear Santa:

I want a soft ball and my brother wants a basket for his bicycle. Come to our program and tree December 16 at 2:00 p. m. at Ben Arnold school.

We love you,  
HARVEY LEE STALL and  
WALLYE JEAN

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good boy all year so please bring me an electric choo-choo for Christmas. I would also like to have a little Coca-Cola truck to play with if you have enough money.

Thank you very much,  
HUGH GLEN RIDOUT

Dear Santa:

I am 10 years old January 23. I want a doll and some dishes. My mother's name is Mrs. Adelina Vera Cruz and my father's name is Jesus Vera Cruz. My name is Adelina Vera Cruz.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have tried to be a good boy this year. I am in the fourth grade and I am eight years old. I want you to bring me a bicycle and a gun and scabbard and nuts, fruit and candy. Don't forget the other boys and girls.

JOHNNY WAYNE STEVENS

Dear Santa:

I have tried to be a good girl this year. I am in the fifth grade. My teachers names is Mrs. Sam B. Houston, please bring me a dresser set, house shoes and a sweater. Don't forget the nuts and candy and don't forget the other boys and girls.

Your friend,  
JO ANN STEVENS

Dear Santa:

I am eight years old March 1. I want a doll and some dishes. My Mother is Mrs. Adelina Vera Vruz and my father's name is Jesus Vera Cruz. My name is Juanita Vera Cruz.

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THRU  
JANUARY 4th

**SEASON'S  
GREETINGS**

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A holiday season brightened  
with the rare joys of the  
good old days of long ago—  
that's our Christmas wish for you.

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and Dry Cleaners**

PHONE 1000

**Season's  
Greetings**

Through town  
and countryside  
we speed  
our greetings!

1949

**AUGUST KUNZ  
Wood Mill**



**W. A. L. ROBINSON  
SERVICE STATION**



Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a doll and some little dishes and a color book, some colors too. I am a girl ten years old and fruit, too.  
Your friend,  
JANE HERNANDEZ

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a rope, a little car, a gun and a scabbard, candy, boots and nuts. I am seven. I want a hat too, please.  
Your friend,  
MARCELINA FLARES

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I am a girl eight years old. Please bring me some dishes, a girls bicycle and a doll and some fruit.  
Your friend,  
NAOMI CABRERA

Dear Santa:  
Here it is Christmas time again. I do hope you are in good spirits. I would like to have a bicycle, fruit, nuts and candy. Do not forget my sister Gloria. She would like a house coat and bracelet. I will have a big hug waiting for you at Christmas.  
Your little friend,  
CAROLE ANN BOYLS

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy and I am trying to be a good little boy. I am five years old. I want some cowboy boots and a hat, a gun and some fruits and candy. Don't forget the other boys and girls.  
Your friend,  
MIKE FLARES

Dear Santa Claus:  
I have been a very nice girl this year and hoping to get lots of nice things. I am eight years old and in the second grade. I want a doll, typewriter and some paper dolls.  
DORIS HASSELMAN

Dear Santa Claus:  
I have tried to be a good girl this year. I am in the fourth grade row, and eight years old. Please bring me a bicycle and a dresser set, a ball and a bat. I would like some nuts, fruit and candy. Don't forget the other boys and girls and be sure not to forget my teacher, Mrs. Sam B. Houston.  
Your friend,  
JOYCE ELAINE STEVENS



## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

There's many a very friendly thought  
In this greeting warm and true,  
And many a wish that Christmas joy  
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## LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:

I have been a good boy. I would like a BB gun. I have a little baby sister so please bring her a rubber doll. Don't forget my big sister she wants a doll with a bottle. Please bring me some fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget my mother and Daddy.

Your friend,  
ALVIN FAICHTINGER

Dear Santa:

I am glad that Christmas is here. I want you to bring me a wrist watch and a bracelet and necklace. I have a little brother, too. I want you to bring him a pair of shoes. I want some nuts and some apples too. Don't forget my mother and father and Joyce. Don't forget my teacher. I go to school at Ad Hall. I am in the fourth grade. I am eight years old.

Your friend,  
PATRICIA HERTENBERGER

Dear Santa:

I am in the second grade. I would like a color book and some colors. Please bring me some fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget my little sister.

Your friend,  
JOAN HORELICA

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl nine years old. Will you please bring me a baton and suit and fruit. Also remember every one. Thank you.

Your friend,  
GLADYS GRISWOLD

## The Cameron Herald

December 22, 1949

## Thoughts Differ On What Phrase Sums Up America

MILWAUKEE—What is the one phrase which would typify the conception "America?" There are many schools of thought on the subject.

For instance, Collier's magazine calls itself as "American as baseball." Philip Murray says his CIO is as "American as the hot dog." The Berkshire hills of Massachusetts are advertised as being "as American as apple pie," and a dramatic critic finds that the new Broadway musical, "Miss Liberty," to be as "American as a watermelon patch."

There can be no serious quarrel with any of those striking similes. Baseball is quite the American game, even though the experts find that English boys 200 years ago were playing a game called "base ball" with pitchers, batters, base runners and outfielders. Basketball would be an even better example of Americana. It was invented by Dr. James Naismith 58 years ago and has no other roots.

### Had Foreign Origin

As to Mr. Murray's "hot dog" reference, we can go along with that. The "hot dog" is certainly American by adoption—what sports event, circus or festival is complete without it? — even though it did start life as a wiener of Vienna or a frankfurter of Frankfurt.

The benighted Germans were munching that delicacy for generations without realizing the treasure they had. We have taken the hot dog and raised it, along with the hamburger from Hamburg, to an American institution. It's like the case of the song "Dixie," which was written by a northerner and confiscated by the southerners for their own anthem. And when the Civil war was ending, Abe Lincoln asked that "Dixie" be played because it was one of his favorite tunes, and he jovially boasted that the North was entitled to it by right of conquest.

Is apple pie so American, as the Berkshires people claim? Jack Horner pulled a plum out of his Christmas pie back in the 16th century days of King Henry VIII, when America was unsettled. (The jingle was occasioned by Jack's grabbing some nice estates in a political shake-up). And the pie experts believe that if they had plum pies then, they had apple, too.

### Pumpkin Better Simile

But it is in America that the apple pie has approached the status of necessity and a fine art. "As American as pumpkin pie" is a little more apt. The pumpkin is a real American old-timer.

What can be as American as a watermelon patch? Well, a good many things. The watermelon is a native of Africa and grows in warm regions the world around—but most picturesquely, we are convinced, in our own Dixie land of corn and cotton, ol' times dat am not forgotten. You may take watermelons out of America, but you can't take Americans away from their watermelon.

Now if you are looking for something peculiarly and symbolically American what about the giant redwood and sequoia trees? They are the biggest things that grow on earth, and they supposedly grow nowhere on earth but our West coast.

### Mother's Courage, Stamina Save Life of 2-Year-Old Son

SPRINGFIELD, N. H.—A mother's courage and stamina combined to save the life of her two-year old son from drowning in a 20-foot well.

Mrs. Earl Dumont, 29, held the boy above her head for an hour while standing up to her neck in the cold water of the well. "I wasn't too scared," she said of her experience.

Garry fell through a 16-inch hole into the well while at play on the family's farm late Thursday. He landed in six feet of water. Mrs. Dumont removed her clothing, squeezed through the opening and dropped into the water beside him.

Grabbing her son, the woman swam to the side of the well and clung to a projecting brick as she held her son's head above water.

Meanwhile, her 6 year old son, Earl, and her 10 year old brother, Marvin Mason, lowered a bucket into the well. Mrs. Dumont boosted Garry into the bucket and kept him afloat.

Marvin ran two miles to a neighbor, who telephoned Mrs. Dumont's husband. He was working in New London, five miles away. He sped to the scene, removed his clothing and jumped into the well beside his wife and son.

One of Dumont's co-workers lowered a rope and the father helped to haul his son to safety. The baby, blue with cold, was taken to a hospital.

Neighbors then removed a heavy millstone covering the well, but it was another 25 minutes before the Dumonts were rescued.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a BB gun. Don't try to work too hard for Christmas. Don't forget my mother and father and brothers.

Your friend,  
JOE WILKINS

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy almost five years old. Please bring me a gun with a double barrel, a sail boat and some fire crackers. I would like to have some fruit and some candy. I will be a good boy.

Your pal,  
MORRIS MORGAN

Dear Santa Claus:

Dear Claus, I want two guns, scabbard and cash register.

Your friend,  
BENNIE REYNOLDS

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a bicycle, a Monopoly set and a bracelet. Remember all children

Your friend,  
CYNTHIA CURTIS

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl in the second grade. I want a BB gun, a Stereoscope, phonograph and records. I would like a real wrist watch Santa because I know how to tell the time. I want a magic skin doll with a layette. I want a bicycle. I have a little brother so please bring him some toys. Don't forget my mother and daddy and all the poor children.

Your friend,  
MARY COLLINS

Dear Santa Claus:

I am writing you this few lines. Will you send me a 1950 bicycle and a buzzer. Please send them. That is all I want.

Your friend,  
DAVID

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl nine years old. I hope you will bring me a house coat, purse and some fruit. Remember all the other children.

Your friend,  
WANDA KIRK

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a bicycle and a BB gun.

Your Friend,  
JERRY WENDELL KIRK

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a baton, a zipper notebook, a book satchel and fruit. Please remember my brothers and sisters. Also remember other children of the world.

Your friend,  
MARJORIE WILKINSON

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a boy ten years old. I hope you will bring me a bicycle and a baseball glove. Also remember children all over the world. Thank you.

Your friend,  
BYRON PETTY

Dear Santa:

I want a tricycle, some nuts and fruit and candy. Don't forget my mother and daddy and don't forget my little sister.

Your friend,  
EDMOND MICHALKA



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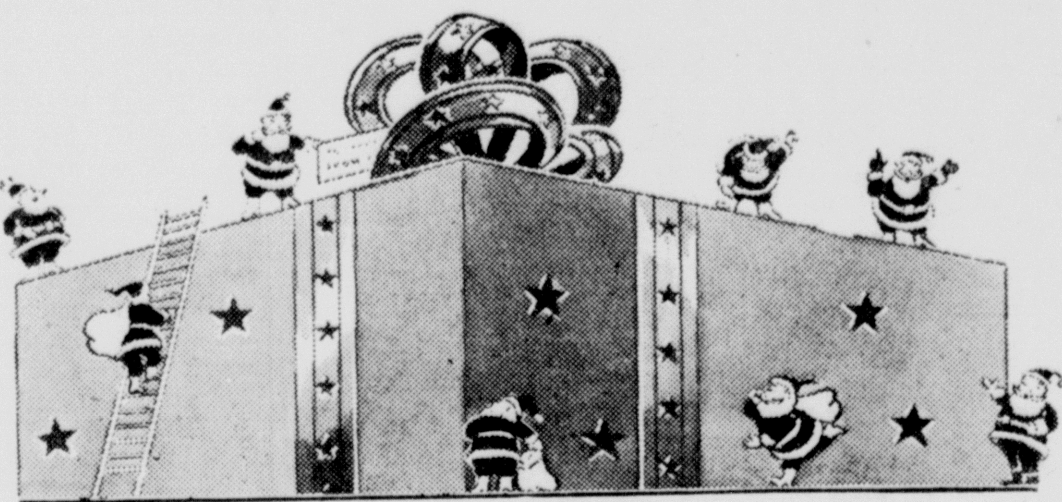
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CAMERON, TEXAS



**Magic Soil Does It Again; This Time 2 Crops of Potatoes**

The Magic Soil Belt has done it again. This time two crops of Irish Potatoes grown by Rev. P. L. Caperton.

Rev. Caperton brought some of these fine red potatoes to The Midget office. He planted a bucket of potatoes from potatoes he had raised in the spring. He planted the crop in October and from this bucket of seed he harvested four and a half bushels.

What's more Rev. Caperton has raised two crops of potatoes each year for five years in Cameron at his home on South College Street. Rev. Caperton says he still has ripe tomatoes in his garden.

**WOODRUFF IS BACK**

Bob Woodruff has returned to Baylor University as head football coach. He had resigned over a disagreement with Ralph Wolf, athletic director. Wolf also resigned but both men are now back in the fold.

Mrs. Braden of Cameron received word that her son Cpl. Carlton E. Braden had been made Sergeant. Sgt. Braden is stationed at Yakata Air Base in Hursa, Japan. He volunteered for service in 1948 and plans to re-enlist when he comes to the States.



**HERALD ANGELS . . .** Rehearsing for the annual Christmas candlelight service, the children choristers of the Crawford Methodist Memorial church in the Bronx, New York, make an impressive picture when viewed through a Christmas wreath in the foreground.

**CHRISTMAS SHOPPING WILL BE HEAVY HERE**

Clear skies and sunshine Thursday brought hope for a big week next week for Christmas shoppers and for business in Cameron.

Skies were clear in practically every section of the state with temperatures crisp and cold. In some places as low as 24 degrees and Thursday night in the thirties. Cameron had 34 degrees and some people from the rural areas reported ice.

A freeze is predicted for Thursday night if the skies remain clear. Frost would be heavy also.

The forecast for Friday and Saturday was moderating weather and some sections will be cloudy but no rain is expected.

With only 8 shopping days left Christmas minded folks were welcoming the return of fair weather. Merchants were feeling gloomy Wednesday but were jubilant Thursday. Weather affects business, the volume of advertising and cuts down buying psychology. Prospects are that the next week will be a record for business here.

John Hrozek who suffered minor injuries in a car accident recently is among the patients in Newton Memorial Hospital. He is improving and will return home soon.

**34 Degrees Thursday Morning In Cameron; We Get .85 Inches Rain**

Temperature fell to 34 degrees in Cameron Thursday morning, it was disclosed by L. W. Smith of the Community Public Service Company.

Mr. Smith also said that a total of .85 inches of rain had fallen since Wednesday, bringing the current spell total to around 2 inches.


Wednesday the highest temperature was 45 degrees. The sun broke over this area early Thursday. The weather should be clear and cool for the next few days.

Herald Want Ads Pay Dividends.

*Friends and Customers*

It is again the season of the year to wish you and yours the compliments of the Yuletide and we find it a pleasant task.

May we acknowledge your many kindnesses and favors of the past, and in appreciation extend our good wishes for your continued health and prosperity.



**Cameron Auto Supply**

ALLEN DODSON      JERRY MIKULA

*-then came Three Wise Men*




Legend not only has identified the Wise Men as Gaspar, Melchior and Balthasar, it has crowned them and given them the kingdoms of Tarsus, Arabia and Ethiopia. It has symbolized their gifts as symbolic of what Jesus was to become—gold for a king, frankincense for a high priest and myrrh for a great physician.

The Gospel text's specific wise men from the east logically identifies them with Zoroastrianism—an ancient monotheistic religion of Persia. Zoroastrian priests were called Magi; they were powerful in public and private life since they, and they alone, possessed the priestly mysteries involved in the worship of Mazda—who represented the Zoroastrian power for good.

The Magi may or may not have been fabulously wealthy: St. Matthew does not elaborate their treasures nor the amount of gold, frankincense and myrrh which they presented to the Christ Child. The gifts may have been mere tokens of their treasures, or the sum and substances thereof.

And if they were soothsayers, mystics and possibly clairvoyants they were also truly wise—in as much as they did not return to Herod, but departed into their own country by a different route.



**Christmas BEST WISHES**

THE HAPPY SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS IS DEEP IN OUR HEARTS. LET IT ECHO IN THE STRENGTH OF OUR VOICES AS WE GREET OUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS ON CHRISTMAS MORNING.

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*Pilgrims Deplored "Ye Christmas Day"*

Puritan disapproval of Christmas celebrations disembarked from the Mayflower with the Pilgrims in 1621 and, accordingly, Governor Bradford issued a statement publicly rebuking certain young men who declined to work on December 25, "ye day called Christmas."

This first New England Christmas—or non-observance thereof—should not be credited as the first Christmas on American soil, since Leif Eriksen spent a winter or two on the North American continent around the turn of the 11th century.

Leif was a Christian, and it is likely that members of his crew were Christians, too; although it is quite possible that some had accepted the faith without remodeling their pagan natures, since King Olaf's methods were ruthless and his command "Be baptized, or else!" left them little choice.

Undoubtedly, flagons of crude, raw wine fermented from the grapes of Leif's vinland were passed around and the celebration may have been rather boisterous, but in all fairness to Leif—who, according to excellent testimony, was a sincere convert—it is reasonable to assume that there was a trace of religious observance.

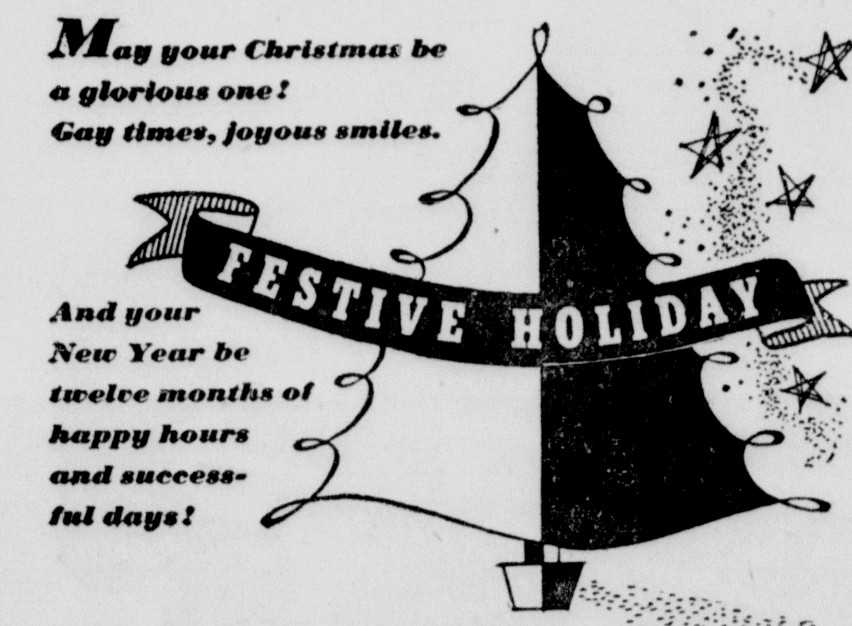
Perhaps Leif remembered the few words of Latin prayer he learned at the time of his conversion and recited them in honor of the birthday of the Redeemer he had accepted. . . . Thus, the first Christmas in America was observed.

The first Christmas card was designed in 1845.

Poinsettias which have come to be a "must" for Christmas decorations owe their name and popularity to an early American diplomat, botanist and scholar—Joel Roberts Poinsett.

**May your Christmas be a glorious one!**

*Gay times, joyous smiles.*



**FESTIVE HOLIDAY**

And your New Year be twelve months of happy hours and successful days!

**HICKMAN'S Ice and Grocery**

JOE HICKMAN      PHONE 8

*The Joys of Another Christmas*

Once more, as we proclaim the approach of another Christmas season, we find ourselves remembering all the fine friendships and courtesies that have made the past twelve months memorable and enjoyable for us.

Friendships are invaluable—they are essential to a happy existence and we recall with pride the associations we have with a friendly community.

To each of you, we express our gratitude and extend best wishes for a season of great joy!



**JESSE BROCK, Agent**

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Abbott & Costello



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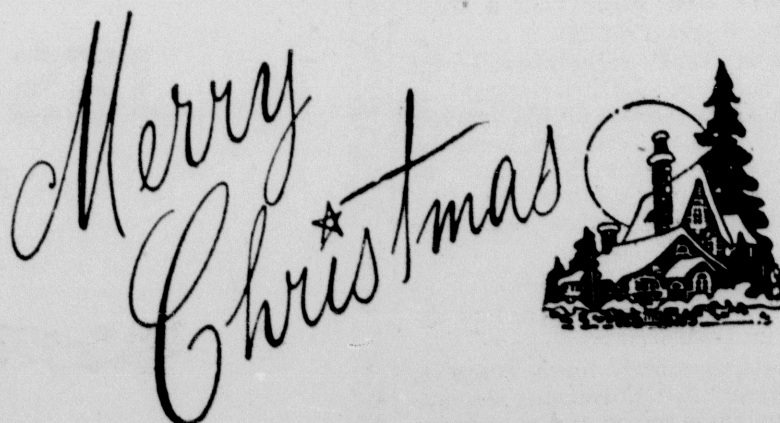


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SUNDAY AND MONDAY, JANUARY 1 and 2

SUNDAY AND MONDAY, DECEMBER 25 and 26  
**"THE FLYING TIGERS"**  
John Wayne



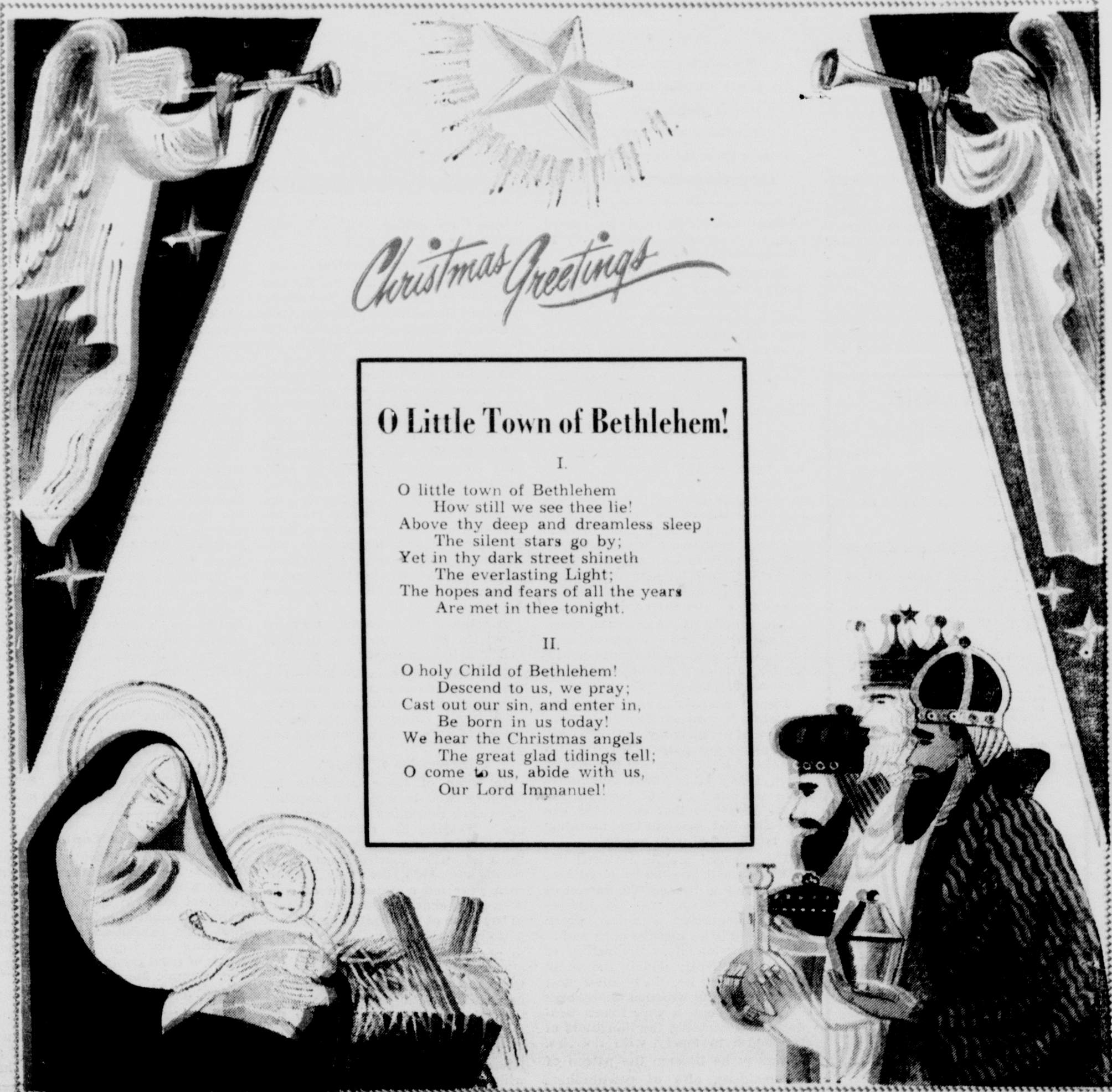
**THE MILAM THEATRE**  
FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23 and 24



**THE MILAM THEATRE**  
FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30 and 31



# Magazine Section of The Cameron Herald



## O Little Town of Bethlehem!

I.

O little town of Bethlehem  
How still we see thee lie!  
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep  
The silent stars go by;  
Yet in thy dark street shineth  
The everlasting Light;  
The hopes and fears of all the years  
Are met in thee tonight.

II.

O holy Child of Bethlehem!  
Descend to us, we pray;  
Cast out our sin, and enter in,  
Be born in us today!  
We hear the Christmas angels  
The great glad tidings tell;  
O come to us, abide with us,  
Our Lord Immanuel!



# Evolution of Right Jolly Old Elf, Santa Claus

## Red-Coated Fellow We Know Today Our Own Contryman, as American as Apple Pie

"You'd better be good, I'm telling you why, Santa Claus is coming to town."

YOU SEE HIM everywhere at this holiday time, the "right jolly old elf" of Clement Clarke Moore's immortal poem: "The Night Before Christmas." You think of him as timeless and universal and in a way you are right. As a symbol of generosity and good will he is as old as Christmas.

Nevertheless, the red-coated old boy with the wooly whiskers today is our own countryman, as American as apple pie. Not only this but, by the long measure of centuries, he is almost a contemporary. The Santa Claus we know, in fact, just misses being brand new!

It is true that medieval Europe gave him his toy pack. Russia provided his fur-trimmed blouse and trousers and his high boots. Lapland donated the sleigh drawn by reindeer. And in the largely legendary form of St. Nicholas he first was brought to this country by small sons and daughters of Dutch settlers in the little town of Nieuw Amsterdam (New York).

But it was not until the 1860's, less than 100 years ago really, that Santa Claus emerged from history and myth to take on form and outline and be established as our own. Oddly enough he was introduced to the world by a famed cartoonist of the day, Thomas Nast.

### Drew on Moore's Poem

Nast, who originated the Republican elephant, Democratic donkey, Tammany tiger and other national symbols, drew largely upon Moore's poem, published 30 years before, for his delineation. He pictured the apple-cheeked Santa with his "broad face and round little belly" busy in his Polar workshop, keeping an eye on children all over the world through a magic telescope, fumbling through stacks of letters with his



As late as the 1880's, Santa's figure and dress on Christmas cards might well bewilder adults no less than children, as shown in center panel.



Today, he is chubby and merry. Left, as we know him best. Right, a Norman Rockwell illustration depicts him as a husky fellow with muscle.



chubby hands, perched on snowy chimney-tops, skimming the sky in his toy-laden sleigh.

Doubtless Nast never meant his Santa Claus to be taken seriously. But everybody loved the chubby little benevolent figure who in some way represented the childhood that lives on forever in all hearts. Doubtless for many a year to come he will continue to be our Christmas saint . . . and a long step from the Santa Claus who truly lived.

### The Bishop of Myra

Half lost in legend is the story of the kind-hearted Nicholas, Bishop of Myra, who lived in Asia Minor in the fourth century. Tradition says that Christians of the town, gathered at their church one evening to elect a new bishop, were warned by an old patriarch to be cautious. "It is God's will that he who first enters this church tomorrow shall be our new leader," the elder told them.

Accordingly they barred the doors, and unbarred them in the morning to admit a stranger. A personable youth, he was acclaimed a bishop and began a career of glad-hearted giving.

Bishop Nicholas rode abroad on his white horse each December 6, on the eve of his birthday, with a basket of presents for good children and a bundle of birch rods for the others. Even today Old World youngsters who set out bowls of hay for the white horse on that enchanted eve find the hay gone in the morning, the bowls filled with sweets.

The revered prelate restored life to three small boys slain by an innkeeper and so became the patron of children. Cruising the Mediterranean, he quieted a storm which threatened to swamp the craft and at once was adopted as the patron of mariners. Silently and in the depth of night, when he still bestows most of his gifts, he dropped three bags of gold through a poor man's window, thus enabling the daughters of the house to marry with dowries. Naturally he became the patron of all maidens, also of pawnbrokers

whose three golden balls still commemorate the bags of gold.

### Tomb Become Shrine

Nicholas died in 352, A. D., and his tomb in Myra became the shrine to which thousands made yearly pilgrimages. Seven centuries later his bones were removed to Bari, an Adriatic port just above the heel of Italy, there reinterred with pomp and ceremony. An oily substance, known as Manna di Saint Nicola, highly prized for medicinal purposes, is said to flow from the vault.

The birthday eve of St. Nicholas, long since canonized, still is celebrated in many European countries, but the churchman long ago became obscured by legend while only his tradition went on. According to some historians, the Christmas saint was introduced into Germany by a Greek princess who married the German Emperor Otto II of the Holy Roman Empire in 972 A. D.

His popularity zoomed, traveled down the Rhine, spread to Belgium and The Netherlands.

In Austria, France, Germany and the low countries also, he gradually was made the patron saint of children, finally emerging as the special bearer of gifts to deserving boys and girls.

### Procession of "Imps"

In some of these countries his memory was honored by appointment each December 6 of "boy bishops." Wearing the clothing of his high office and flanked by two "angels" who carried baskets of sweets and gifts, the "boy bishop" each year led a procession of children and charcoal-smearing "imps" to the door of the local church.

While the "imps" waited outside to pounce on intruding adults, the other children entered the church. Questioned by the "bishop" on behavior during the year, each was rewarded with gifts or candy by the angels according to his merits.

After the ceremony the "imps" rushed into the church to join revels which often continued half through

the night. The custom, however, was abolished in 1450.

### How Names Originated

Gradually the name of the Christmas saint began to take on the character of the country which commemorated him. Religious Germany associated him with the Christ Child—the Krist Kindlein—and called him Kriss Kringle. In England, where his popularity began to rise about the beginning of Victoria's reign, he was—and still is—Father Christmas.

In Holland he always has been Saint Nicholas, and so was called by the Dutch children brought across the ocean to settle a new land. When the English took over New Amsterdam in 1664, the best their tongue-twisting could do with the name was Santa Claus.

So we have our saint child in Russian garb driving a Scandinavian vehicle and brought here by the Dutch. But a saint who like many another product of our national melting pot, has become triumphantly all-American.

### Radishes Were Precious

Radishes were so highly valued by the ancient Greeks that small replicas of them were made in gold. A German botanist in 1544 reported seeing radishes weighing 100 pounds.

### Versatile 'Copter

The versatile helicopter has found itself a new role—stocking remote lakes with game fish. The Olympic National Park in Washington State witnesses what is believed to be the first such exhibition, when a low-hovering sky jeep "planted" thousands of trout fry in 15 high lakes of the Olympic Mountains.

### Weakest Hitter

With an average of .249, Connie Mack was the weakest hitter of all those enshrined in baseball's hall of fame at Cooperstown, N. Y.

## Football Men Hail Frank Leahy's Book!

NOW, HERE'S YOUR CHANCE TO ORDER THE GREATEST VOLUME ON FOOTBALL EVER WRITTEN!

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**THE BOILING POINT**, by Richard Brooks. Harper Brothers. \$2.75.

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## DON'T PUT ALL YOUR CHRISTMAS CARDS IN ONE BASKET

IF YOURS IS A TYPICAL American family you will be sending dozens of Christmas cards this month.

Obviously there can be no standard set of rules for the selection of cards—this is pretty much determined by individual tastes. But don't put all your Christmas cards in one basket. Take time to select some religious cards, some gay and colorful cards, some mildly humorous ones, some with fine art.

Whether to imprint or to sign the card by hand puzzles many people. Don't do both on the same card. That is, don't try to make your imprinted cards more personal by hand-signing over your printed name. It's better if you carefully select extra cards for your personal friends and hand-sign them.

**ENGRAVING OR IMPRINTING** the signature is the more formal technique and therefore does not lend itself to the use of nicknames, other than such well-accepted shortenings as Joe for Joseph and Jack for John.

Should the husband's or wife's name be imprinted or signed first? When printed formally, the conven-

tional "Mr. and Mrs." order is usually followed. But unless the names are at the head of the greeting, the titles should be omitted and the cards signed simply, "John and Mary Roberts."

When the cards are hand-signed, the person signing the cards courteously puts his name last. But when the children's names are mentioned, Dad should always get top billing.

One of the most frustrating experiences people undergo at Christmas is receiving a card signed merely "Joe" or "Peg." Unless there is a return address on the envelope or the name is a distinctive one, it is more considerate to include your full name on a card, even to old friends.

**WHEN ADDRESSING** one card to a family, the accepted form is to use "Mr. and Mrs." on the envelope and then, under the card's printed message, include a few words "to the family." To business acquaintances whom the wife or husband does not know, it's usually best to sign just the one name.

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# News and Comment About Farm and Ranch



**BOYS LIKE** Glenn Bragg (above), 4-H clubber of Talpa, Tex., will compete for honors in the livestock contests of the 1950 Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show at Fort Worth Jan. 2 through Feb. 5. Glenn is shown with his champion lamb of the 1949 show, and Raymond Buck, who paid \$7.50 a pound for the animal for LaMotte Cohu, president of Convair Aircraft, **ON THE LEFT** is shown the new International Harvester Standard pick-up truck model L-122. Farm families will delight in the added comfort and roominess afforded by the new cab design. This is one of 87 new L-line basic truck chassis models introduced by International Harvester recently.

## Farms, Ranches to Prosper Next Year

The net income of farmers and ranchmen, on the average, should be good again next year, says Tyrus R. Timm, extension economist of Texas A. & M.

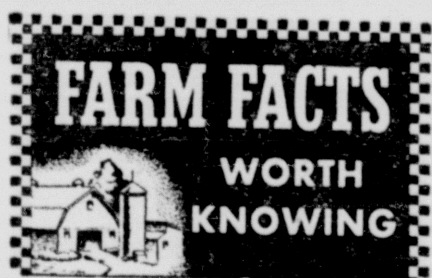
Revenue will be high in contrast to most previous years even if the decline expected in 1950 materializes, he says.

Although incomes look good for 1950, farmers and ranchmen should not lose sight of the fact that American agriculture has never come out winner from wartime inflationary periods, says Timm.

It has been the same story—after the war of 1812, Civil War, World War I and so far, after World War II—the prices paid farmers have gone down faster and lower and stayed longer than the prices for things the farmers had to buy.

### Grown in America

Most of the Brussels sprouts crop grown in America is produced on Long Island, New York.



**Q.** Approximately how many broilers can be raised in a pen that is 16x20 feet?

**A.** Broilers should have 2/3 to one square foot of floor space per bird for the best results, depending on location and the season of the year. This means that 320-500 chicks may be started in a pen that measures 16x20 feet. Broiler raisers have found that it pays to give the birds plenty of room. Where the chicks are crowded, mortality and vices increase, and growth decreases.

**Q.** Do you know what would cause our doe to become very thin?

**A.** Thinness may be a symptom of disease, or improper feeding, or of poor care, although in itself it doesn't indicate much. Does often become thin, even though in the best of health, because of heavy milking, as the strain of producing large quantities of milk drains the body's reserves. It is a good idea to check all conditions of health and care when any goat starts to lose flesh, particularly by an infection of parasites.

**Q.** Should special attention be given to feeding and handling the herd boar?

**A.** Records at the Ralston Purina Company's Research Farm indicate that any improper feeding, mis-handling, or neglect of the most important single individual in the hog herd, the herd boar, will be reflected in smaller litters, lowered production, and less profit.

Send your questions about livestock or poultry problems to FARM FACTS, 835 South Eighth Street, St. Louis 2, Missouri. Questions will be answered without charge, either by mail or in this column, as a service of this newspaper.

### Europe's Midget Sons

Mother Europe has seven midget sons: Luxembourg (999 square miles), Trieste (25), Andorra (191), Liechtenstein (61), San Marino (38), Monaco (1 1/2), and Vatican City (1/6). The State of Delaware could swallow the entire lot.

## Colonel Leeman Wins High Honor

Ray Leeman, executive vice president of the South Texas Chamber of Commerce, has received certificate of admission to membership in the Twenty-Five Year Club of Faithful Service of American Chamber of Commerce Executives. Colonel Leeman, dean of regional commercial organization executives was awarded the certificate at the recent 35th Annual meeting of American Chamber of Commerce Executives at Seattle. It was forwarded to him by the executive secretary of ACCE, who presented the certificate "in recognition of your admission to the



Col. Leeman

Twenty-Five Year Club of this national association, with the good wishes of the more than 1800 members who honor you for your long service in, and contribution to, the progress of commercial organization work in America."

Colonel Leeman became a member of American Chamber of Commerce Executives in 1924 while he was manager of the local chamber at Mineral Wells.

## Good Demand for Beef Cows For Next Three To Five Years Is Seen

Look for a good demand for beef cows for the next three to five years, says Capper's Farmer. Cattle numbers are at the bottom of their cycle. Demand for breeding stock will be strong, while farmers and ranchers build back their herds. There will be more grass over the Corn Belt, too. Some farmers have made enough money that they want to slow up a bit; cattle fit well for them. So from the outlook standpoint there is little chance for a sharp let-up in the demand for good beef cows.

Wheat prices will fluctuate near support levels until we can get an idea of new crop prospects. The wheat supply of 1,424 million bushels is about the same as a year ago. Last year we consumed about 680 million bushels of wheat in this country and shipped 500 million bushels abroad. Prospects point to use of about 700 million bushels this year and exports of 450 million bushels. This would leave the carry-over on July 1, 1950, about the same as on July 1, 1949.

Farm profits will be somewhat lower during the next few years. That doesn't mean you should "pull-in-your-horns." Rather, it calls for care about going out on the limb. The day of getting more output regardless of cost is gone. The premium today is in holding costs in check. Farm income will remain much better than before the war for the man who keeps his costs under control.

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# Poultry



**Eggs Brought 17% More Cash** The poultryman who is willing to spend a little time seeking a better market for eggs usually can find it. L. J. Kuhn, Plymouth county, Iowa, contacted a creamery in the county seat that was willing to buy on grade if he would gather eggs twice a day, hold them in a cool, damp place, and clean any that were soiled. Last summer when quality was hardest to hold, 93 per cent of his eggs were going into top grade. He was netting \$6.16 extra on each 100 dozen produced. That was 17 per cent more than he could have expected by selling on straight-run basis.

**Put Winter Coat** Fodder bundles **On Laying Houses** insulate the laying house on Wendell Gearig's place in Hillsdale county, Michigan, against winter winds. Gearig selects long bundles and sets them against the north side and half of either end. The building houses 230 hens. Poultrymen in some sections of Nebraska cover the roof as well as the sides. They say the practice pays off in more winter eggs. Some use fodder bundles, others loose straw held down with poultry netting.

**Good Production** Crossbred hens **From Crossbreeds** averaged 73½ percent production the first five and a half months of the present laying year at the Ohio Experiment Station. The parent purebred strains of Leghorns and Rhode Island Reds averaged 60 per cent. The Reds laid 98 eggs and the Leghorns 100 while the crossbreeds were producing 122. Figures are based on number of pullets housed. Crosses usually show lower death rate than purebreds. Rate at which they will lay is determined by quality of the parent stock.

**Sun Bath for Hens in Frank These Hens** Griert's laying house get plenty of direct sunlight during warm months. Windows in his two-story laying house in Knox county, Illinois, extend to the floor. The sashes are removed when cold weather is over so hens may bask in the sun.

## Odd Elephant

An unusual elephant is owned by M. B. Applebaugh, of Easton, Pa. Its body is made of Brazil nuts, its ears are lima beans, match sticks form the tusks, and pipe cleaners are the trunk.

## Shirley's Plans

Shirley Temple won't let her 14-months-old daughter, Linda Susan, go into the movies unless the child shows natural talent.

## Your United States

Here are ten questions to check your knowledge of the United States and its history. Correct answers are shown below, but don't peek!

1. On what river is Muscle Shoals?
2. What state first ratified the Constitution?
3. What is the nickname of Missouri?
4. Where is the largest telescope in the world located?
5. How old must a citizen be before he can become a senator?
6. How many fur-bearing animals are killed annually in the United States?
7. How much of the United States is commercial forest land?
8. What is the origin of the name, Minnesota?
9. What state has the longest coastline?
10. Who was the country's youngest president?

### ANSWERS TO U. S. QUIZ

1. Tennessee River.
2. Delaware.
3. Show-me.
4. Mt. Palomar, Cal.
5. Thirty.
6. 30,000,000.
7. One-fourth.
8. Two Sioux Indian words meaning "sky-colored water."
9. Florida.
10. Theodore Roosevelt, 42.

**Finishing Out** A reader writes: "I **Your Broilers** have quite a large number of young cockrels that I wish to market as broilers. What is the best way to finish them out?" Our expert advises using a broiler feed until the birds are marketed. Fattening feeds are not generally used for feeding broilers.

**Egg Production** No wonder hens **Gains in 1948** cackle, even roosters have a right to crow. A total of 55 billion eggs was produced in the United States last year, according to the Texas A. & M. College Extension Service. What egg producers do now to prepare for pullets coming off the range will determine largely whether this figure will drop or go still higher next year. It can also mean the difference between profit and loss for the flock owner.

**Starting Your Poultry Flock** The poultry flock should be started from stock which have proved their ability to produce healthy, vigorous birds that lay well. These chicks should be from stock that are free from pullorum and other diseases.

**Timely Tips for Poultry Raisers** It is usually advisable for the turkey breeder to market his birds at the end of the breeding season . . . No large-scale commercial fryer operation should be undertaken without sufficient experience . . . Only a few breeds and varieties of chickens are suitable for broilers and fryers. Have an expert advise you . . . Dim, all-night lights are sometimes used to prevent crowding of chicks in the brooder house . . . Good feeding provides the kind of nutrients that enable ducks to live and grow to the limit of their inbred ability . . . The number of quality poults produced per breeder hen is the important factor in the turkey breeding enterprise . . . Good fertility of turkey eggs is closely associated with the proper method of rotating the toms during the breeding season . . . Dressed quality broilers should be thoroughly chilled, but not frozen, before being wrapped or packaged . . . All brooders operate most efficiently and successfully in buildings that are properly insulated and ventilated . . . Provide three square feet of floor space per bird for Leghorns and three and one-half square feet for heavy-breed birds . . . Worm pullets at 10 to 12 weeks of age and again just before the pullets are placed in the laying house, if needed.

## Cited for 'Making Money'

Edmond W. J. Healy, who made a billion dollars working in the U. S. money factory in Washington, has received an award from the Treasury Dept. Healy, 80, retired this summer as a printer in the Treasury's Bureau of Engraving after a half century of work. He got a laudatory scroll for his work. If all the bills he produced had been \$1 jobs and if they were laid end to end, they would form a green ribbon approximately 97,000 miles long—enough to go almost four times around the earth.

## Eager Beavers

Eager little beavers go about their lumbering job quietly, but they are just as efficient as human lumber cutters. Near Morris, Pa., the sharp-toothed creatures tackled a 24-inch elm tree and cut it smack in two. The little animals seldom assault a tree of such hard wood.

## POINTS ON THE STARS

## Joseph Cotten Offers Advice To Struggling Young Actors

**JOSEPH COTTEN**, who once sold potato salad in Miami, Fla., has two words of advice for struggling young actors—"keep acting." "Acting and adversity go together," says Cotten. "There isn't a top actor on the stage or screen who hasn't had his tough days. But the successful actor never quits."

Joseph Cotten is currently starring with Ingrid Bergman in "Under Capricorn" and with Bette Davis in "Beyond the Forest."

The determined actor has held a number of jobs besides acting. But they were temporary expedients for "eating money." He once sold paint in Brooklyn. While doing that he invented a way to paste labels on the cans with less effort and more speed.

In Miami, to finance a little theater group which he organized, he began a salad-making concern and dispensed salad to drug store fountains. But the druggists found a way to make salads for greater profit. So then Cotten turned to selling space for a Miami newspaper.

"I've had a lot of tough breaks," Cotten reflects, "but I kept on going because I was keen on becoming an actor. The odds are always with the fellow who keeps right on trying, in spite of everything. It's the tough breaks of today, I figure, that make the good breaks of tomorrow."

One of Hollywood's busiest actors, Van Heflin, is currently busy with his role in "East Side, West Side." Cyd Charisse, lovely dancing star, appears with Heflin in the picture. The pair is shown trying to read a book at the same time, between appearances before the movie camera.

The Jack Holt of silent film days was a rough-riding star of Western films. But the rootin'-tootin', gun-toting actor has graduated to a plane where he may enjoy fine acting plums. Currently, Jack Holt may be seen as the late Admiral Reeves, in "Task Force." The film, which stars Gary Cooper, is a thrilling saga of the United States Navy. It includes some of the most spectacular colored sea and air-battle pictures, exposed now to civilians, during the Second World War.

Johnny Daheim, one-time sensation of the boxing game, is the actor who KO's Edmond O'Brien in "Backfire."

Virginia Mayo, gorgeous glamour girl on the screen, turns off the lah-dee-dah away from the cameras. She's strictly a home-body girl.

Wanda Hendrix and Audie Murphy, reported headed for divorce, have been reconciled.

Errol Flynn announced his engagement, in London, to Romanian Princess Irene Ghica, 20-year-old Paris model.

**HOLLYWOOD NOTES**—Doris Day, who has freckles on her face and shoulders, refuses to cover them from now on. She wants to look like Doris Day and not like a glamor girl . . . Harold Arlen and Johnny Mercer are writing the musical score for "The Petty Girl" . . . Gene Autry sings five songs in "Riders in the Sky" . . . Joan Crawford has a St. Bernard puppy that weighs 110 pounds . . . Milton Berle had to eat two quarts of ice cream at 8 o'clock in the morning for a scene in his picture "Always Leave Them Laughing."

## Greatest Hoard of Gold in the World Gives Firm Backing to Money of the United States

Gold to the value of \$25,000,000,000 has been accumulated by the United States since 1934—and that huge store of precious metal has made this country possess the most stable currency in the world.

Other nations have devalued their currency and taken other monetary "reforms." But President Truman recently declared there is no reason for any such action in this country.

So stable and sure is the American dollar, in fact, that it is accepted anywhere in the world. In many countries, besides, the United States dollar is worth more than a hundred cents.

The United States obtained a virtual monopoly on the gold of the world because, in 1934, it offered to pay \$34 an ounce for the precious metal. The previous value on the world market was \$20.67.

At the same time this country took out of circulation all gold coins

and made it a crime for Americans to use gold coins or to possess currency redeemable in gold.

A whole generation of Americans has since grown up without seeing those \$5 and \$10 gold pieces indulgent relatives used to hand out at Christmas time.

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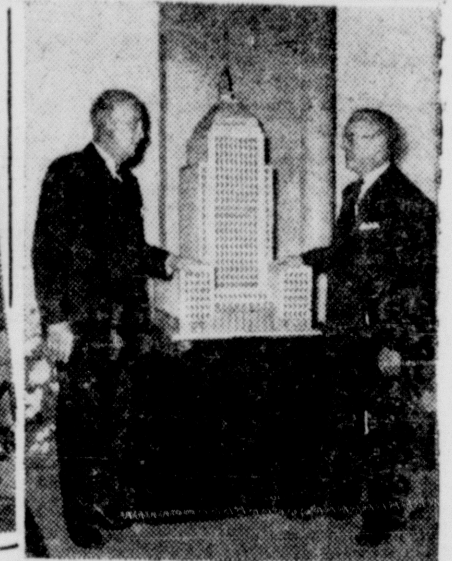
**HAPPY COUPLE** — Mrs. Carleton S. Hadley became the bride of Vice President Alben Barkley in St. Louis. The newly-weds are shown as they greeted friends in Knoxville, Tenn., on a stop-over on their honeymoon.



**REACH AGREEMENT** — Joe Larkin, Vice Pres. of Bethlehem Steel (left) and CIO United Steel Workers president Philip Murray (second from left) sign agreement ending the 31-day-old strike at Bethlehem. At the right is Dave McDonald, C.I.O. official.



**LAUGH TEAM** — Lucille Ball and Richard Denning at their regular Friday night stand before a CBS microphone in their radio roles of "Liz Cooper" and "George" on the comedy airer, "My Favorite Husband." The broadcasts are sponsored by Jell-O.



**NEW INSURANCE BUILDING**—Secretary of the Treasury Snyder (right) and Paul F. Clark, President of the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co., before a model of the new 26-story structure, during the official opening in Boston recently.



**D.A.'s MEN** — Robert Shaw, writer, and Ed Byron, producer-director of NBC's Wednesday night "Mr. District Attorney," figure out a plot puzzle for their "champion of the people" to solve. Bristol-Myers Company sponsors the law-and-order program.



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# The Birth and Journeys Of Our Saviour, Jesus Christ

IN THE FOURTH YEAR before the opening of the Christian Era, Joseph, a carpenter of Galilee, obedient to a decree of Caesar Augustus—that all the world should be taxed, every one in his own city—went with Mary, his wife, out of the city of Nazareth, unto Judaea, unto the city of David—called Bethlehem—because he was of the house and lineage of David.

AND SO IT was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered and she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling clothes, and laid Him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

IN THE SAME country were shepherds, keeping watch over their flocks by night and, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and they were sore afraid, and the angel said, Fear not: for, behold, I bring tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day a Saviour. And suddenly there was a multitude of the Heavenly Host praising God,



and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. And the shepherds came and found the Babe lying in a manger and made known abroad the saying concerning the Child, and all that heard it wondered. But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.

NOW CAME EASTERN wise men to Jerusalem, following the Child's star, and Herod the king was troubled for prophesy had told that from Bethlehem would come a ruler of all Israel, and he sent the wise men there, saying, search diligently, and when ye have found the Child bring me word that I may come and worship Him also. And, lo, the star led them to where the young Child was, and they fell down and worshipped Him; and presented unto Him gifts, and they returned not to Herod, but departed another way.

FORTY DAYS AFTER His birth, the Child was presented at the temple in Jerusalem, whence the family returned to Nazareth.

But Joseph, fearful of Herod's wrath, soon fled with Mary and the Child into Egypt and Herod, unaware of their escape, slew the babies in Bethlehem and all the coats thereof.

When Herod died, Joseph returned with Mary and the Child to Israel, but hearing the Archelaus did reign in Judaea in the room of his father Herod, he was afraid to go thither, and turned aside into the parts of Galilee.

IN HIS TWELFTH year, taken to Jerusalem for the Passover, the Child, for three days was lost from his kin, and they found Him in the temple questioning with the doctors.

And he dwelt in Nazareth until His thirtieth year, an humble carpenter, increasing in wisdom and stature and in favour with God and man.

When Christ began to be about thirty years of age He was baptised in the river Jordan, by his cousin, John the Baptist, and passed forty days in the wilderness near Jericho, and began His ministry preaching in synagogues in Galilee, in Nazareth and in Capernaum.

SOON HE GATHERED about Him disciples, and the chiefest were the twelve chosen as His apostles, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, James and John, Philip and Bartholomew, Matthew and Thomas, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon called Zelotes, and Judas the brother of James and Judas Iscariot which also was the traitor. And He carried His teachings to all the regions about Galilee.

AND CHRIST LED His apostles into a desert place of Bethsaida, and foretold His fate, and set His and their steps toward Jerusalem for the feast of the Passover by Jericho, unto Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount called the Mount of Olives.

ON THE SUNDAY in April before the Feast when Christ was thirty-four years old He rode into Jerusalem, returning at even-tide to Bethany, and the next three days went He also into the city and did preach in the temple, and on the fourth evening He sat in Jerusalem sharing with the twelve the Passover feast, and near midnight, in the garden of Gethsemane on Olivet, whither He had gone after the Feast, He was seized by His enemies and sent bound to the high priest of Caiaphas, and tried in the morning by the Sanhedrin, and taken before Pilate and Herod Antipas and sentenced to be crucified, and He carried His cross to Calvary, and on that afternoon died upon the cross.

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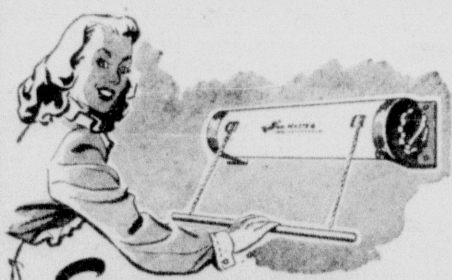
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## Strange, but True—

### Courteous Bandit

"I hope you have burglar insurance," said a bandit with a smile as he walked out of a Memphis liquor store with \$250 loot.

### Seaman Drowns in Tub

The sea was in his blood. All his life Frederick Ramsey, 70, of Sunderland, England, loved the water. Once he rescued two men from the River Tyne. The other day he collapsed and drowned in a few inches of water in his bathtub.

### Slow But Sure

Better late than never might well be the slogan of the postoffice at Bloomington, Ill. Recently it delivered a receipt to William Barlow for an insurance premium he paid in 1930. The envelope was postmarked Chicago, March 12, 1930.

### Outruns Thief at 80

When a robber knocked him down, G. Harold Sellick, 80, of New York City, got to his feet and ran away, he told police.

### What's In a Name?

Trooper James R. Davis arrested John T. Davis, whom Judge George N. Davis fined \$25 and costs for reckless driving in Maco, Mo.

### Prophecy Fulfilled

"Some of you may not be able to return to meet God next week," the Rev. Elmer Drake, 72, told his congregation in Lum, Mich. A moment later he died of a heart attack.

### Mistake, by Gum!

It was all a mistake, firemen learned when they answered an alarm in Ashland, Mass. A youth, recently from Poland, told them he had sounded the alarm when he mistook the firebox for a chewing gum vending machine.

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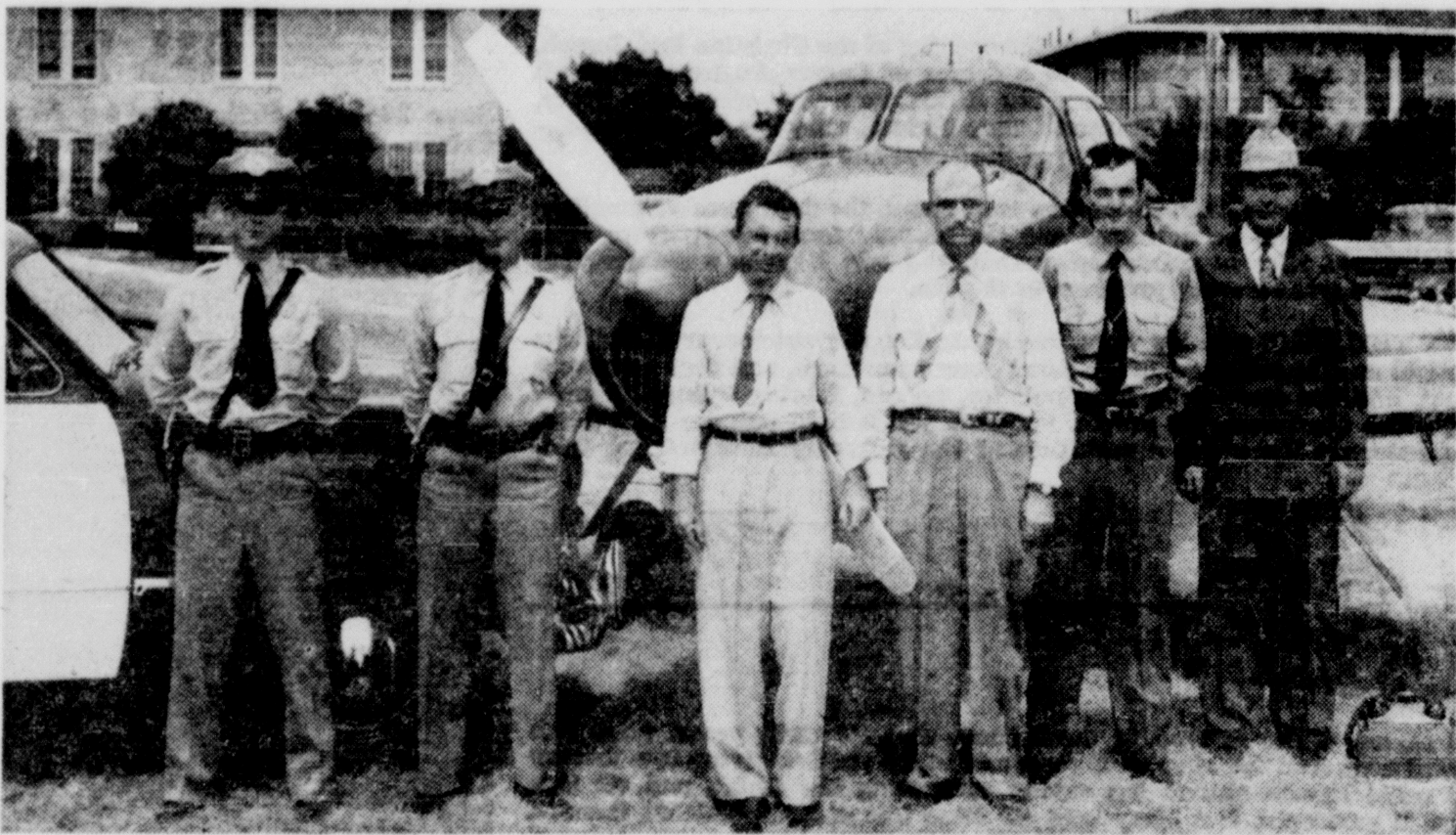
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# High-Lights in the News



THE AIRPLANE SHOWN HERE with directors and officers of the Texas Department of Public Safety was the "aerial eye" used recently to track down three cattle thieves. In contact with ground forces of Highway Patrolmen and Texas Rangers by walkie-talkie radio, officers in the plane directed the closing-in operations. Left to right: Patrolmen McDaniels and Dillard, who, in the patrol car behind them, were part of the posse; Robert Ragsdale, operator of Ragsdale Flying Service, who supplied the plane; Chief Joe S. Fletcher, assistant director of the Department of Public Safety; Jim Boutwell, pilot and radio operator for the department; and Col. Homer Garrison of the Department of Public Safety.

## Taft's Charges

Senator Robert A. Taft, Ohio Republican, already campaigning for re-election in 1950, charges that adoption of President Truman's program next year would add more than \$16 billion to the federal deficit and lead America to "stagnation and austerity." The senator said "we face a deficit of \$5 billion, yet the Truman program would add to that \$6 billion for compulsory medicine, \$6 billion for the Brannan farm plan, \$4 billion for universal military training, and other billions for services of all kinds." His references were to the system of compulsory insurance advocated by the President; to the production payment plan for keeping up farm income, sponsored by Secretary of Agriculture Brannan, and to a long-pending proposal for compulsory military training.

## Coddling Ends

The United States apparently has decided that it is fed up with its diplomatic coddling of Russia. All during the war and for some time afterward this country tried to get along with the Reds by a policy of "turning the other cheek." The State Department has, in effect, served notice on Joe Stalin and his cohorts that it will "get tough" whenever the occasion demands from now on.

## Red Poppycock

Andrei Y. Vishinsky, Soviet foreign minister, in a recent talk before the United Nations, ridiculed any idea that Russia would want to bomb the British Isles and said "there can be no thought" of an attack on the United States. Then he charged that the United States is "in the throes of one dream—one idea—which is world domination."

## Pact for Japan

The United States, within the next few months, is going to try to conclude a formal treaty of peace with Japan, according to Washington observers. This move is expected to be followed by a realistic effort on the part of this country to counteract the spread of communism in Asia.

## In Spotlight



BOB HAWK won another singular honor recently when his comedy quiz, now heard Mondays over CBS, achieved top place as No. 1 quiz program in radio. According to survey ratings, Hawk's was the only program of its kind to finish among the top dozen network evening shows. Hawk himself is known as the airways' ad lib king.



RED FOLEY, baritone star of NBC's "Grand Ole Opry," is surrounded by music at home, as in the radio studio. Red's wife, as Eva Overstake, was a vocalist on a Chicago program, and the Foleys' three little girls are musical and enjoy singing harmony. Often, they form a quintet, with Eva at the piano and Red plunking the guitar.

## Low-Income Study

This month, the problems of American families with low incomes will be studied at a series of public hearings to be conducted by the Joint Senate-House Economic Committee. The studies will be based on a mass of data prepared by a staff of experts. It is intended to decide what the federal government can do about the matter. Since people with low incomes can buy less than those with higher incomes, the report says, they hold back the economic progress of the whole country. The experts think lack of education is a fundamental reason for low income.

## German Army

The difference that the raising of even five German divisions would make to the defense of western Europe against a possible attack from the East is being discussed by staff officers of a number of western European armies. It is agreed that even limited German rearmament would help adjust the manpower balance in any conflict with the Soviet Union.

## Potato Program

Seeking to prevent another wasteful surplus of potatoes, the Department of Agriculture has announced a program for 1950 calling for reduction in the government support price and acreage allotments of commercial growers. The support price will be cut about 12 cents a bushel. The total national commercial allotment will be 1,137,800 acres, a decrease of a total of 85,300 acres of potato-planted land.

Mrs. Hazel Washington was charged with aggravated assault for severely wounding her husband with a knife in Texarkana, Ark. She told the judge: "We play like that all the time."

Alvin B. Wolff was haled into court in Milwaukee for peddling toys without a license. He talked the judge into buying three mechanical penguins before he was ordered to get out of town.





## Fascinating Sort of Wanderer Wrote 'Jingle Bells'

### Young James Pierpont Gave World Merry Christmas Song in the 1850s

Interspersed among the Christmas carols sung in every city, town and hamlet on Christmas Eve is a little New England folk song known and loved by young and old for nearly a hundred years.

And when the carollers sing "Jingle Bells," which they do many times during the course of the evening, they laugh as they clasp hands and jump up and down to the gay and lively tune.

"Jingle Bells" is heard continually on the radio during the winter. No popular sing-song is complete without it. When there's snow on the ground, every sleighing party gives voice to this only song of its kind that we have.

What is the story of this little song that dares thus to intrude itself among the sacred carols of the Christmas season?

#### Written in 1850's

The words and music were written by a gray-eyed, tall, thin young man who lived in West Medford, Mass., but so little recognition has been given its author that in most collections of songs "Jingle Bells" is marked anonymous, or bears no notation at all.

One day in the 1850s, James Pierpont left his father's house on Mystic Street in West Medford, and hurried to the home of Mrs. Otis Waterman, who lived in an apartment house which had been remodeled from an old tavern.

Mrs. Waterman was a young widow and amateur singer, and besides that, there was in her home a piano (somewhat of a novelty in those days), which belonged to one William Webber, popular music director in the Medford schools and leader of the local singing school, who boarded with her.

#### Had Song in His Head

"I have a little song in my head and I have written it down to see what you think of it," confided James Pierpont to Mrs. Waterman, as he sat down at the piano and started to play.

"Why, I think it is a very merry little jingle," encouraged Mrs. Waterman.

The song, of course, was "Jingle Bells."

This story is vouched for by Mrs. Stella Howe of Boston, grand-niece of Mrs. Waterman.

James Pierpont, fifth of the six children of Rev. John Pierpont, was born in Boston April 25, 1822.

The composer of "Jingle Bells" is said to have been a fascinating sort of wanderer brought up in a strict family atmosphere. He was musically inclined, but that talent was frowned upon by his father.

#### Ran Away at 14

At 14, he ran away to sea, but evidently returned sometime later.

Sometime in the early 1850s, he went to California. He was not a



"forty-niner," but seems to have been there when things were booming. Whatever money he made, it is apparent that he lost it.

James Pierpont, who died in Winter Haven Fla., in August, 1893, wrote many other songs besides "Jingle Bells."

Some of these are "Kitty Crow," a ballad published in 1853; "The Colored Coquette," for the piano-forte, 1853; "I Mourn for My Old Cottage Home," for the piano, 1856; "The Know Nothing Polka," 1857; "Poor Elsie," a ballad, dated 1858, and "Good Night," a ballad, undated.

#### One of 7 Wonders

The Appalachian Trail, extending 2,050 miles from Mount Katahdin, Maine, to Mount Oglethorpe, Georgia, is a public pathway through 14 states that rates as one of the seven wonders of the outdoorsman's world.

#### From Pure Carbon

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### Global Oddities

Inhabitants of the sub-surface ocean are noisy. During the war, the navy had to "screen out" noises of ocean creatures so that its instruments for detecting submarine sounds could work effectively.

The coconut palm is found almost everywhere in the tropics because its fruit floats and is carried to new locations by the sea.

The Bronx Zoo exhibits a pair of gorillas behind glass for their own protection from the coughs and colds of human beings.

Romans liked to flavor their wines with such materials as pepper, poppy, tar, boiled sea water, and chalk.

A very fine oil for lubricating watches is obtained from the head of the common porpoise.

One of the earliest known maps is a 4,500-year-old baked clay tablet from Babylon.

### Gems of Wisdom

Doing nothing is a highly satisfactory way of passing the time until one gets tired of it and wishes he could do less than nothing.

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Many a woman can't add, but most can distract.—Grit.

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She said I could never  
Rekindle the flame,  
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Just about the oldest form of social security is a pair of suspenders.

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"The blonde is fast passing out of the picture," asserts an anthropologist. We wonder who's chasing her now.

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Humble pie got its name in ancient times when nobility's guests dined on choicest venison. The heart, liver and intestines—called umbles—were made into a pie and served to commoners.

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### Something Different In Turkey Dish Recipe

Here's something different in the way of a turkey dish. It's turkey à la king and it sounds very tasty. If you'd like to try it, follow this cipe:

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| 4 tbsp. shortening | 1 tsp. chopped onion      |
| 4 tbsp. flour      | 1/3 c. diced pimiento     |
| 1 tsp. salt        | 2 c. diced, cooked turkey |
| 1 c. milk          | 1 c. sliced mushrooms     |
| 1 c. broth         |                           |
| 1 egg, beaten      |                           |

Melt fat and stir in flour and salt. Add milk and broth gradually. Add a few tablespoons of this sauce to egg, then pour mixture into remaining white sauce. Cook over low heat until thickened. Stir in remaining ingredients and serve on bisuit halves. Serves 4.

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If you're one of the millions of women in this country who is moved to profanity because you've snagged a perfectly good stocking just by handling it, take a tip from a gal who each year passes thousands of stockings through her hands.

The secret, ladies, is: always keep your hands well manicured.

Dorothy Stafferi's work calls for her putting stockings in boxes at a Philadelphia plant.

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### Household Hints

Pillow slips should never serve as a laundry bag. Soiled clothes should not be tied up in a sheet when laundry is sent out. Use a regular laundry bag.

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Proper ironing can mean the difference between smart and dowdy-looking cottons. Light-colored cottons should be ironed right side out; dark colors should be ironed on the wrong side to prevent a shine.

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Smooth sheer cottons should be ironed while quite damp. The best ironing temperature for cotton is usually between 350 and 400 degrees.

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Shoulder pads should be removed when dresses or suits are sent to be cleaned. Some new pads made of sponge rubber ignite spontaneously in the cleaning process and others dry out. For safe cleaning all pads should be removed.

### Holiday Goodies



- 2 cups sifted cake flour
- 1 teaspoon double-acting baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup butter or other shortening
- 2/3 cup sugar
- 1 egg, unbeaten
- 1 tablespoon milk
- 1 square unsweetened chocolate, melted

Sift flour once, measure, add baking powder and salt, and sift again. Cream shortening, add sugar gradually, and cream together until light and fluffy. Add egg and milk and beat well. Add flour, a small amount at a time, mixing well after each addition. Divide dough into two parts. To one part, add chocolate and blend. If necessary, chill until firm enough to roll.

Roll each half on floured waxed paper into rectangular sheet, ¼-inch thick. Using a floured star-shaped cutter, cut vanilla dough in star shapes. Cut chocolate dough in Christmas-tree shapes with floured cutter. Place on ungreased baking sheet and brush with glaze made by mixing 1 beaten egg with 1 cup milk. Decorate cookies with tiny colored candies, coconut, and silver dragees. Bake in moderate oven (375°F) 10 minutes, or until done. Makes about 3 dozen cookies.

### Cocoanut Cranberry Pie



- 1 package prepared vanilla pudding
- 2 cups milk
- 1 cup shredded cocoanut, cut
- 1 baked 8 or 9-inch pie shell
- 1 1/4 cups canned whole cranberry sauce
- 1/4 cup water
- 1/2 package (3 1/2 tablespoons) orange-flavored gelatin

Place pudding powder in saucepan. Add milk gradually, stirring constantly. Cook and stir until mixture comes to a boil and is thickened. Add ½ cup of the cocoanut. Cool slightly (about 5 minutes), stirring once or twice. Turn into pie shell. Cool thoroughly.

Combine cranberry sauce and water in saucepan cook and stir until mixture comes to a boil. Remove from heat. Add gelatin and stir until dissolved. Chill until thickened. Spread over thoroughly cooled filling. Chill.

For Christmas tree garnish, cut a tree stencil from paper, place on pie, and fill open space with remaining cocoanut to form tree.

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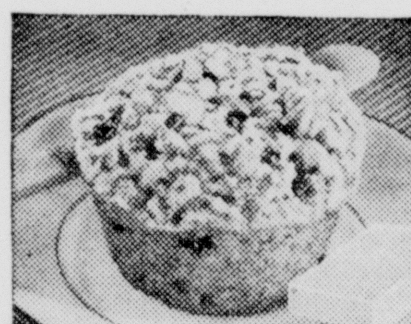
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## Life Sentence

By HAROLD CHANNING WIRE  
(Condensed from This Week Magazine)

"Carl McKinney. Charged with escape from the county prison camp, resisting arrest, and possession of stolen property—a truck."

Carl sat with the light-cropped dome of his head bent over.

Judge Bain had paused a moment to read the transcript of his long record.

Then he heard the judge say sternly, "You made a bad start pretty young, didn't you . . . truancy . . . running away from home . . ."

"Yes, sir," Carl nodded, staring down. "I guess I did."

There hadn't been much to stay home for when he was a kid. But he couldn't tell Judge Bain that. Never had told anyone. His mother and father always wrangling and fighting as far back as he could remember.

IT WAS A LOT better down at Jake Simmons' garage, where Jake let him wipe off the cars. He was crazy about those cars.

And the garage was better than school, too. Something wouldn't let him keep his mind on his books. Once a teacher had called him plain stupid. That's when he started staying away.

"From the truant officer's reports," he heard the judge saying, "I can't see that leniency ever did you much good. But stealing from a ten-cent store . . . that seems to have been your first serious offense."

It was a little toy racer he'd stolen. Nobody knew how much he wanted that racer. A man who used to come to see his mother had promised to buy it, but he didn't. That was when she was divorced, and pretty bitter most of the time.

"Tell me something," Judge Bain's voice came sharply. "Why did you go on? I can see there is quite a jump before you got into real trouble. What led up to the prison camp?"

CARL STUDIED a red scar on his wrist where a mine drill had gouged him. "I don't know. A lot of things . . . I just don't know now."

He could remember one thing, all right. But it wouldn't make sense to the judge. He couldn't say he was sent to the county road camp because his stepfather had smashed his car models. He'd worked hard on those models, getting ready to win a prize. But the man his mother finally married couldn't stand his hammering in the house, or him either. He was drunk that time, smashing the aluminum models with his bare fist, leaving them crushed, broken.

Carl raised his head a little. What if he told Judge Bain how it was? That if he had won some prize mon-

Carl Had a Long Record. Now He Faced a Stern Judge for a Serious Crime.

ey, he was going to a trade school for mechanics, and that what he did afterwards was because he still wanted to go to that school so much. But it wouldn't make sense. Because the judge would ask him about the midget . . .

IN A WAY he hadn't known all about it. He'd only thought of the quick money you could get from midget racing, and a man gave him a chance to help build one from a stripped-down car. They worked in on old building, even slept there. It was almost finished when a plain-clothes cop trailed them in one day. He asked to see the car's papers. And there weren't any. It was hot, all right.

With his head raised a little, Carl saw the judge writing something on his record. What more was there to write? It was all down there . . . his sentence to the county road camp, and his escape after only a month.

The judge's hand stopped writing. "When you took that old miner's truck," he asked, "what were you planning to do? And why did you take it in the first place? As I understand it here from your story, he picked you up in the mountains, took you to his claim and gave you a job. He helped cover your escape from the road camp for two weeks, although he didn't know it at the time. Don't you feel you owed him more than stealing your truck?"

"Yes, sir," Carl dropped his eyes. "I do. I owe him a lot."

HE GUESSED it was the meanest thing he had ever done. But he'd had to get away fast, before old Bodie Bill saw the newspaper. What tormented him now, was remembering the way old Bodie had treated him, right from the start. Never asked him any questions. By that time he'd found a pair of khaki pants and a shirt in somebody's vacation cabin, and burned his road camp jumpers.

It was on the other side of the mountains that he came onto this old man with a wrinkled brown face like a dried-up apple. Nothing to be afraid of in that face, or in the friendly blue eyes, either. So he had stopped to help fix a clogged gas line in the '31 truck. Then those two weeks with Bodie Bill seemed like the best in his life.

OLD BODIE said, "I've been needin' a fellow like you. Can't pay any money, just grub and a share. This gold mine's bound to be worth a million dollars some day, sure enough. Make it a partner deal if you stick."

Suppose he'd told Bodie the truth? Or hadn't run off in the truck that day, when he drove ten miles to the post office, and found the newspaper with the road camp escape story



"You made a bad start pretty young, didn't you?" the judge said.

in the mail. It might have been all right with Bodie. But not now. Not after stealing the truck and almost

TWO—LIFE SENTENCE wrecking it, back in the mountains when the highway cops took after him. Maybe, if he ever saw old Bodie again . . .

Suddenly Carl lifted his head and looked up straight at Judge Bain.

"How long," he asked, "how long are you giving me?"

"Long enough, I think, so you won't add anything more to your record." Then the judge looked past him into the courtroom.

"Bodie Williams," he said, "came over the mountains today to get his truck."

CARL FELT himself freeze. Bodie Bill came thumping on down the aisle. "Got her decided, have you, Judge?"

"I have decided on a recommendation, yes. If you're willing to assume the responsibility—"

"Why not!" said Bodie. "I know a good piece of float when I see it. He'll pan out with me."

All at once Carl fully understood . . . not being sent to the road camp; he was being released to Bodie Bill. He fought the shame of a sudden hot flood in his eyes.

And then old Bodie saved him. "That hoist engine, Carl," he said, "broke again! Pump engine, too. Seems like everything around the

mine is just waitin' for you to get back!"

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THE LIGGETT & MYERS Tobacco Company again uses its Christmas advertising to greet wholesale and retail dealers everywhere during the Yuletide season. The three top Chesterfield salesmen—Arthur Godfrey, Bing Crosby and Perry Como—are using their radio and television shows to salute local dealers for Chesterfield. Until mid-December 60 percent of all Chesterfields are being shipped in the new Christmas cartons pictured above. In addition to Chesterfield cigarettes, Liggett & Myers Christmas packages include attractive humidors of Grangtr and Velvet tobacco.



# SPORTS

Almost any day during the football season you can see 74-year-old Mrs. Stella Stagg taking notes in the stadium at Susquehanna University, Selinsgrove, Pa., where her husband Amos Alonzo Stagg, Sr., is advisory coach.

Mrs. Stagg could run the team herself if she had a mind to because she has been up to her neck in football ever since that day 57 years ago when as a girl of 17 she became the betrothed of Amos Alonzo Stagg then coaching at the University of Chicago.

Amos Alonzo Stagg, at 87, still is going strongly. Mrs. Stella Stagg, 13 years younger, isn't doing too badly either.

She could take over the team in a pinch and do an expert job of directing the strategy, but she prefers to be known not as an assistant coach but just an aid to her husband—his chief note taker and play charter.

The term "Madam Coach"—well she just brushes it aside.

Mrs. Stagg has been doodling with football diagrams since she was a young girl. When she became the wife of Alonzo Stagg she at once plunged into the job of learning football.

She began by helping her husband map plays at Chicago.

Then when her husband moved to the College of the Pacific, Mrs. Stagg kept a running account of every single play made by both teams. In between times she served as a scout for her husband.

Today she can be seen both at games and practices taking notes. In the evening the coach and his wife sit down in their living-room and analyze the plays.

Such cryptic designations as "mousetrap," "split buck," and "flanker" are more familiar to her than they are to the average football fan. If ever a woman was on the inside of football it's Mrs. Stagg.

She always has kept clear of reporters, believing her husband is the one entitled to the publicity. But she stays on the job year after year making an important contribution to the success of Mr. Stagg's football teams.

Mr and Mrs. Stagg have two sons who also are coaches, Amos and Alonzo, Jr., who is the head mentor at Susquehanna, and Paul, at Pacific University. So it's no wonder Mrs. Stagg is deeply imbued with the spirit of football. It has been her life since she married the nationally known teacher of the game.

Stella prefers to be known only as the helpmate of Alonzo Stagg.

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## Most Valuable—

Jackie Robinson, the first Negro to play major league baseball in the modern era, has been named the most valuable player of 1949 and was regarded as the spark that set the Brooklyn team moving toward the pennant. Thirty years old and a former college athlete, Robinson drew a total of 264 points to 226 for Stan Musial, of the St. Louis Cardinals, who finished second.

## Unique Tribute

When Christy Mathewson, baseball immortal, played fulback at Bucknell University, Walter Camp called him the best drop-kicker in the nation. Matty died in October, 1925. After the funeral, on a Saturday afternoon, Bucknell and George Washington clashed in the stadium at Lewisburg, Pa., near his grave. Two Bucknell players booted the longest placement (55 yards) and the second longest dropkick (50 yards) on any college gridiron all season—a unique tribute to Christy Mathewson, drop-kicker extraordinary.

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## The Great Outdoors

### Believe It Or Not, Here's a Valuable Fly!

One of the cousins of the ordinary housefly is the fierce-looking robberfly. It feeds on gnats, mosquitoes, flies, honeybees, and even bumblebees.

While on the wing the robberfly catches its prey in its powerful, spined legs and stabs it into helplessness with its dagger-like beak. The victim then is carried to some perch where it is consumed.

On the whole, robberflies are beneficial because they destroy countless numbers of insect pests. About the only bad habit that can be charged against them is that they destroy honeybees.

#### Nature Oddity—

Life spans of 200 to 300 years are normal for the eider duck, giant tortoise, goose, and parrot.

#### Game Birds—

Here are some pointers on the proper care of game birds. In the first place, they should be hung at least 24 hours to cool before they are prepared for the table.

Before cooking wipe the insides with a dry cloth, and lard or butter well before roasting. Wild game requires less time for roasting and is best served in its own special gravy juices.

Because wild birds usually are lean, several strips of bacon should be laid over the breast of the carcass while roasting so as to keep the bird from drying out.

Wild birds should not be stuffed like other fowl. Instead put an onion of small size, watercress, or part of a peeled orange inside the body cavity. This helps bring out distinct flavors.

#### Nature Notes—

Lobsters have teeth in their stomachs for crushing shells.

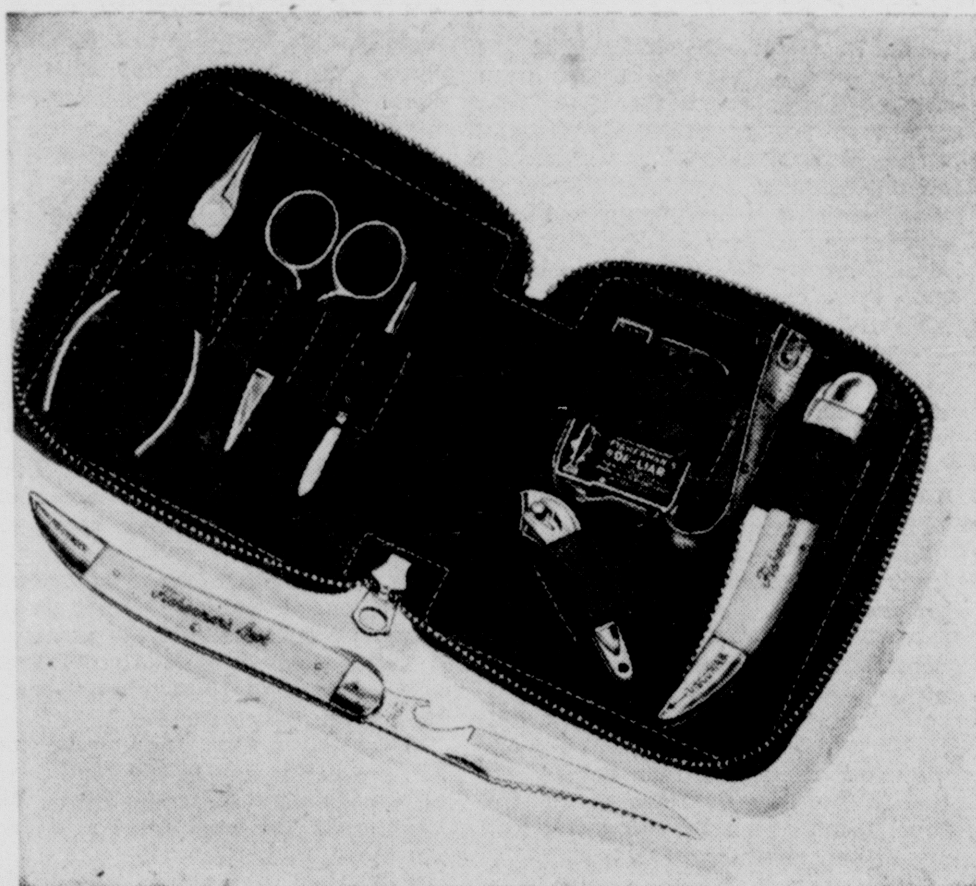
Eggs of the common housefly may hatch in as short a time as six hours after they are laid.

Halibut sometimes grow nine feet long and weigh 700 pounds.

Six weeks is about the average life of an adult worker bee during the active summer season.

The neck of a giraffe, although

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**GIFT FOR ANGLER**—Something any fisherman would like to find in his stocking Christmas morning—kit containing DeLiar scale which measures 'em up to 24 inches and weighs up to eight pounds; four-inch knife including combination scaler, disgorger for removing hooks, and cap lifter. Also, angler's clip, 3½-inch tweezer, scissors and long-nose pliers. Comes in genuine pigskin zipper case 5x5½". They're \$10 postpaid, from Hoffritz for Cutlery, 331 Madison Ave., New York 17.

exceedingly long, contains only seven bones—the same as are in the necks of most other mammals.

Frogs breathe by swallowing air and have no ribs.

English sparrows were introduced in the United States in 1850 in the hope that they would free shade trees of destructive caterpillars. But sparrows of this species do not eat caterpillars.

Queen bees may live for six or seven years but usually are replaced when they fail to lay large numbers of eggs.

Tallest living animal is the giraffe, which averages 18 feet.

Grasshoppers produce their characteristic strident sound by rubbing their hind legs against their wings at a rapid rate.

When a bat becomes angry it ruffles its fur and bares its teeth like a cat.

Felis domestica is the scientific name for the common house cat.

## Great Outdoors

Earthworms often live to be 10 years old, woodpeckers to be 60 or 70, and the common ant to be 10 or 15.

## Farm Fish Ponds

A farm fish pond can produce more food than could be realized from beef on adjacent land, says the Fish and Wildlife Service.

"Fish farmers can expect returns of 50 to 100 pounds of fish per acre in a natural pond and up to 300 pounds in a well managed and fertilized pond," the agency reports. "Production of beef would come to about 150 pounds to each acre."

The service says farm fish ponds are growing in importance, especially in the South. Texas farmers in recent years have built 200,000 fish ponds, and 50,000 have been built in Missouri in 10 years. Oklahoma is building 7,000 to 8,000 new ponds every year. Twenty-two thousand have been built in Mississippi in the last five years.



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## POSTAL RECEIPTS REACH RECORD HIGH OLD FASHIONED YULE OBSERVANCE IN CITY 1949 GROWTH OF NATIONAL GUARD IS MAJOR PROGRESS

### OBSERVANCE TO FOLLOW TRADITIONAL LINES

Christmas in Cameron will be observed this year much on the traditional side with home comings predominating along with family Christmas trees and a happy time for children.

Religious services commemorating the 1950 Christmas will center at the churches as usual.

Catholic observance of Christmas is always colorful and attended by deep devotion to the significance of the Season. At St. Monica's church the usual program will be carried out with a series of Masses on Christmas eve and on Christmas day.

Christmas day this year comes on Sunday. Observance schedules for many will contemplate the week end which will give them Monday. Business will be at a standstill Monday.

Christmas Eve on Saturday will see the usual rush to the gift shops and stores. Merchants were reporting large volume sales with the peak to be reached this week for no matter how much folks are urged to shop early they always make a burden for themselves and clerks in the closing hours of the big rush.

Cameron as a community had much for which to be thankful. As the old year closed out the people generally are in a happy frame of mind. The year 1949 was a prosperous year, primarily due to savings and the high prices of farm commodities and live stock and produce. Cameron made a very substantial progress in 1949 with growth both in the business and residential sections.

The New Year is promising. Good season will promote early farming and the major business of the county should get off to a good start.

Economic observers say that there will be no recession in 1950. Known business factors combine with farm income and large factory output, all combined to present a rosy picture ahead.

With hard work, good sense and a lot of co-operation Cameron and Milam county are certain to make greater progress in 1949.

### FIREMEN HERE OUTLINE HOLIDAY SAFETY RULES

We the Cameron Firemen ask the citizens to use every precaution possible while decorating for Christmas. Do not be careless during the holidays.

We are listing 10 simple rules to follow, complying with this request you will perhaps be instrumental in avoiding a disaster or tragedy. You may save an arm, eye or your home.

1. Use materials suitable for the job.
2. See that electrical equipment is in good order.
3. Avoid handling electrical cords and devices with wet hands.
4. See that no live metal is exposed in the sockets of Christmas tree lights.
5. Don't run cords under rugs, chairs, or under doors or locate them where subject to injury.
6. In removing attachment plugs from outlets, grasp the plug itself and do not pull on the cord.
7. Too many appliances on the same circuit at the same time is dangerous.
8. Pay special attention to points where cords enter appliances.
9. Do not let lighted bulb touch cotton, or paper, decorations, or wrap paper around light bulb.
10. Do not let children shoot fire works around dry grass or leaves.

May we all have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Sincerely yours,  
Cameron Volunteer Fire Dept.

It would take 125 coats of average outside house paint to make a layer one-quarter of an inch thick.

### FIGURES IN 1949 TO TOP HIGH 1945 RECORD

Progress factors in 1949 here have been high lighted by the largest volume postal receipts in the history of the city.

J. R. Hays, Postmaster, disclosed to this newspaper Wednesday that the 1949 receipts will set an all time record and may exceed the previous peak year of 1945 by several thousand dollars.

Up to Wednesday, December 21 receipts had totaled over \$48,000 and indications were they would exceed \$50,000 for the year, all depending on the volume of business at the postoffice during the next 10 days.

The highest postal receipt volume in the history of the office up to 1949 were realized in 1945 when they exceeded \$45,000.

Receipts this year are already \$3000 above the receipts for the previous peak year and may run \$5000 above the 1945 figures.

Postal receipts are usually an accurate gauge of community business. Their continued increase here tells the story of steady progress in Cameron.

Despite enormous volume of Christmas mail and parcel post traffic the local force was keeping up with deliveries with all mails dispatched same day received. Cameron postal employees, including Postmaster Hays have been doing an outstanding job for years and have received many commendations from the postal services as well as from the patrons of the office.

### FARM PROGRAM WILL ASSURE PROSPERITY

Looking to the future—to 1950 there can be little fear for those who want to forge ahead.

American production, natural income and profits reached a new high in the United States in 1949.

Here is our county we look chiefly to agriculture. If no other factor were present the government farm program would be enough to insure continued good income for the establishment that depends upon the soil.

The American farmer won a major victory. He made certain that Congress would continue to protect agriculture and make it as near as possible a sharing phase of the nation's productive life.

As we approach 1950 the business outlook was rosy and there was every indication that prosperity would continue.

There are desirable tendencies in the lowered costs of living. It looked on the eve of 1950 that commodity prices might come down appreciably but nothing like a precipitate to bring on a crash. Prices are too high. In the readjustment farm prices will decline but there will not be any crash in agriculture.

On the whole the picture was promising. Plans can be made and progress made with expansion on what appears a certain and stable national economic structure.

The average healthy adult has from 9 to 12 pints of blood and can safely lose from three to four pints.

### HERALD TO CLOSE SATURDAY AND MONDAY

Following its annual custom The Herald plant will be closed on Saturday, December 24 and on Monday, December 26. The plant will be open for business on Tuesday, December 27. There will be no Daily Midget published on Saturday or Monday so that employees may have three days off for Christmas, including Sunday.

THE PUBLISHER



### BUILDING PERMITS IN DECEMBER \$13,950.00

Cameron's building permit totals for 1949 will fall far below the average for the post war years when they were running around a quarter million dollars.

The grand total for the year up to December 16, as compiled by W. H. Stafford, City Secretary, on request of this newspaper was \$150,333.00.

The building permits issued up to December 16 totaled \$13,950.00 said Mr. Stafford. This total is included in the grand total for the year.

In the main the permits issued during the year were for residence construction. Building permits covering commercial structures represent only a small share of the total with the exception of one or two sizeable permits for business buildings.

Some of the larger structures in Cameron's 1949 progress are located outside the city limits. Cameron was expanding beyond the 1846 confines. In recent years some of the larger business concerns have built outside the limits of the city, notably automobile and implement houses.

The largest construction project to begin in 1949 was the first unit of the National Guard Armory. The motor maintenance building is now complete ultimately the armory will include a large auditorium and administration building to cost around \$400,000.00.

On a site near the Armory the Knights of Columbus are completing a brick building to be used as their headquarters and recreation hall. This is one of the better types of buildings that were constructed in 1949.

Despite the fact that many new

### Senator Kyle Vick Will Be Candidate For Lieut. Governor

AUSTIN, Dec.—19—Senator Kyle Vick definitely will be a candidate for lieutenant governor.

The Waco senator reiterated that after an Associated Press story inadvertently omitted his name from a list of prospective candidates.

Vick was president pro tem of the senate during the regular session of the Fifty-First Legislature and as such has served as acting governor. Vick's service in the senate dates from the Forty-Seventh Legislature.

Vick said that while he considered himself a candidate, he would not make formal announcement until after the close of the special session early in 1950.

### Milam Farm Home Administration Body Reports Active Year

Milam County Farmers Home Administration Committee composed of Frank J. Jahn of Burlington, Clarence Jackson of Salty and Edwin Fischer of Buckholts have reported their activity for 1949.

Frank Jahn, Chairman, reports that the Committee has had 14 executive meetings during 1949. At these meetings 78 applications for farm-operating loans were acted on, 37 applications for loans to purchase and improve family-size farms were acted on and 6 applications for Farm Housing Assistance were acted on.

In addition to this activity, the Committee made 11 field visits to farms in the County for the purpose of inspection in order to determine advisability of making loans for purchase and improvement of farms. The Committee also advised on 48 Debt Settlement Cases.

Mr. Jahn said that Roy M. Wright Milam County Supervisor, acts as executive secretary of the Committee and he reported that the above work involves an average of 13 decisions each meeting rendering service to a like number of individual farmers of Milam County.

### NORTHER HITS

The norther came in wet. Up to noon Wednesday the so called cold front was very mild but was due to get colder by nightfall. A second front was due in from the north late Wednesday.

Fifty per cent or more of the victims of infantile paralysis now recover completely, while 25 per cent are left with only slight after-effects.

FIRST UNIT: Here is shown the first unit of the National Guard Armory development here, one of the outstanding building projects of 1949. This photo is of the motor maintenance unit, now complete. The main building will cost around \$400,000 and will have a large auditorium as well as administrative office. This photo by B&B Studio.

### R. J. POTTS TALKS ABOUT HIGHWAY 77

R. J. Potts, of Harlingen, member of the State Highway Commission, spent several hours in Cameron Monday morning and conferred with business leaders, officials and civic leaders at the Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Potts while in the city was a guest of Dr. and Mrs. Clifford Swift. He is a former resident of Waco and at the time he was named to the Highway Commission by the late Governor Beauford Jester, was residing in Corpus Christi.

Mr. Potts now lives in the country near Harlingen. He has been very active in the work of the Commission and personally drove over Highway 77 from Waco this morning to get first hand information on the condition of the road.

Present for the conference here was Judge Dan Tyson of the county court. The county has acquired all right of way for its portion of Highway 77 and Mr. Potts on a direct question by Judge Tyson expressed the belief that the Highway Commission will go ahead with the designated portion from Cameron to the (turn to page eight)

### War Bride

The shadows of her sacrifice  
Lie in her lovely eyes  
And while she tells us of her land  
By Life's undying ties.

She followed love across the sea  
Into a strange new land  
Her slim hand bears with old-world grace  
A golden wedding band.

With smiling lips and shadowed eyes  
She conquers every heart  
And while she tells us of her land  
The blinding tears will start.

May God bless every war bride  
And soothe her loneliness  
And give her at this Christmas Time  
Rich joy and happiness.

—Lelia McAnally Batte  
Honoring Mrs. Felix Matula, Jr.

### NATIONAL GUARD ONCE FIRST ARM OF DEFENSE

By LLOYD ALBERTSON

"But just what is the National Guard?"

The lady who asked that question lives here in Cameron, and she was familiar with a good many of the Guard's activities. She knew several young men who belonged to Battery C. She was aware that a new armory building for the unit's use was nearing completion. But, even so, she had a rather vague idea about what the National Guard was and what its purposes were, probably because little or nothing has been written explaining them.

To answer the question and give a few explanations is the present purpose here.

And maybe a good way to begin is to say that the National Guard isn't anything new. It is only new to this area. Actually the National Guard has a history longer than that of the United States itself. It had its beginnings in colonial times; the militia and Minute Men mentioned in the history books were the Guardsmen of their day.

These civilian soldiers have helped fight—and win—all of this country's wars. They were with George Washington in the Revolutionary War. Here in Texas in 1836 they were with Travis at the Alamo and with Sam Houston at San Jacinto. As everyone knows, there were National Guard divisions in the AEF with Pershing in France in 1918.

And in World War II Guardsmen were in combat in war theaters scattered halfway across the world from Okinawa to the Elbe.

And yet the men who piled up this record in war were not professional soldiers. They were civilians, and as soon as possible after the shooting stopped, they returned to their civilian occupations. Except in wartime, when the Guard is called into Federal service, its members are what can be described as spare time soldiers.

The National Guard, in short, is a reserve force of trained men who can be ready almost immediately in case of war.

After the end of World War II the Guard had to be completely reorganized, of course. Plans also called for it to be more than double its former size. Here in Texas a new division—the 49th Armored—was added to the state's old 36th Infantry Division, non-division and Air National Guard units. That is why a (turn to page eight)

### FANS HERE TO SEE THE SMU-NOTRE DAME GAME

The Yoemen annual Football Banquet will be held on the night of January 18, it was announced Wednesday by Paul Smith, head coach.

Coach Smith said that Rusty Russell of Southern Methodist University in Dallas will be the principal speaker and is bringing along motion pictures of the SMU-Notre Dame game played in the cotton bowl on December 3.

Local football fans will be thrilled over the prospect of viewing this film of one of the most exciting football games in the history of the Southwest. SMU, led by Kyle Rote, scored 20 points on the Irish and gave the South Bend boys the most hectic afternoon they ever experienced.

The film to be shown as a feature of the banquet should skyrocket ticket sales.

The banquet will be held in the gymnasium. Lettermen will be announced and sweaters will be awarded. Team captains for next year will be known and in the meantime Coach Smith had said he will give the newspapers a list of the lettermen and what prospects may be for the new year.





Sportsman green — a beautiful chartreuse which comes with a chartreuse and black leather trim or a combination of black leather and Bedford cord — and Matador red metallic — a medium red color trimmed with black and red leather or Bedford cord combination — are new and exclusive colors on the new 1950 Ford Convertible Coupes now on display in dealers' showrooms. Nine other colors with attractive trim combinations also are available in the smart new Ford convertibles which feature an improved top mechanism and improved weather sealing. Foam rubber front seat cushions and an improved regulator handle for the quarter windows are other features.



## LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl five years old and for Christmas please bring me a doll, some dishes, and a few other toys. Candy, nuts and fruits.

Merry Christmas,  
PATSY MARIE KING

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl six years old and I want a doll for Christmas and some nuts and some fruit and don't forget my sisters and all the other children all over the world every where.

Your friend,  
CHARLINE HOLLAND

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl five years old and for Christmas please bring me a doll, some dishes and a few other toys. Candy, nuts and fruit.

Merry Christmas,  
PATSY MARIE KING

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a football suit and a fountain pen.

DON MADDOX

Dear Santa:

I am a boy seven years old. I am in the first grade. Please bring me a BB gun, a bugle, some BB's for my gun, candy, fruit, a basket for my bike and some fireworks.

JOE BOB ESSLINGER

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy in the first grade. For Christmas please bring me a ball, gun and a wagon and candy, nuts and fruits. Please remember the other children at Christmas time.

Best Wishes at Christmas,  
W. R. KING

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a bicycle, a little colored doll and a brass drum. I have a baby sister named Margaret who wants a baby doll, and I have another sister Betty, who wants a colored doll and a ring. And Santa, remember all the poor children. Take them the other things I wanted.

Love,

MARY KESTENBAUM

P. S. I will leave a slice of cake on the table for you.

Dear Santa:

I am a boy in the first grade and I am seven years old. My name is David Weber. I like school very much and I do my best in my books. I want a tank digger with a truck. I would like some candy, nuts and fruit. Please bring my little sister a doll buggy. Her name is Glenda Nell. She would like some candy, nuts and fruit also. That's all.

A little friend,

DAVID WEBER

Dear Santa:

I want a cowgirl doll and a set of dishes. A doll's highchair, doll bed and don't forget to bring Judy a magic skin doll and don't forget all the other little girls and boys and please don't forget Brenda and Sherry.

DELORES ANN TINDALL

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like for you to bring me a doll, a baton, a ball, and a play telephone. Some fruit, nuts and candy. Remember the other little girls and boys. Bring my mother and Father something nice and don't forget my teacher. I am in the first grade and have been very good.

All my love,

AILEEN RUTH PILLING

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll and some dishes and some candy and some fruit and nuts. So please don't forget my little brother and sister at home and remember other little children too. So I will close.

Yours truly,

GLADYS LORENE PRATT

Dear Santa Claus:

I am seven and in the first grade. Please bring me a cowboy suit, sweater and some socks. Bring my brothers and sisters something.

IVEN VOGELSANG

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a big red wagon, a bicycle, and two scabbards with guns and a belt, a cowboy hat and boots. That's all.

BOBBIE CHARANZA

Dear Santa:

I love you. Thank you for my bicycle and doll last year. I can tell time now so please bring me a wrist watch and a great big doll. Be sure to remember all the boys and girls everywhere.

With love,

HELEN REID

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a football, a wagon, a stopper gun, a filling station and some firecrackers.

With love,

JAMES LOUIS POOLE

P. S. Santa don't forget Bobby, bring him a fire truck, a gun and some nuts and fruit.

P. S. Again, Santa, also bring Bill Harsha a ball and glove so he can play ball with Bobby.

Dear Santa:

I want a doll and a stroller for Christmas. I have been a good girl. Bring me some candy please. Santa try to go and see the sick and poor children. Don't forget my brother and little sister.

Merry Christmas,

DEBORAH ANN SIMANK

## Mexia Beats Uvalde 7 to 6 For Crack at Class A Texas Title

AUSTIN, Dec. 16.—Mexia stormed from behind in the final quarter today to beat underdog Uvalde, 7-6, and advance to the state schoolboy class A finals against Littlefield.

Fullback Derrell Carlile bucked over from the 1-yard line to climax a 17-play, 71 yard drive by Mexia's Black Cats. Then, with Paul Sawyer holding, halfback Buck Cannon kicked the winning extra point against a strong wind with 6 minutes, 50 seconds left to play.

Halfback Rene Espadas passed to left end Albert Racer in the end zone for Uvalde's touchdown near the close of the second quarter. The Coyotes' try for point was wide of the goal.

Espadas's touchdown throw was from the 4-yard line.

At pass interception by Will Paradeaux, Uvalde center, paved the way for the counter. Paradeaux grabbed the ball out of the air on the 50-yard line and returned 11 yards to the Mexia 39. Espadas ran 23 to the 10, and three plays moved the ball to the 4. Uvalde faked a field goal attempt on fourth down, Espadas jumped up to throw a pass at the last second.

This was Mexia's 14th victory against no defeats for once-tied Uvalde.

Although the game could have gone either way up to the final gun, which found Uvalde filling the air with desperation passes, Mexia had a wider statistical edge than the score would indicate. The Black Cats netted 269 yards rushing and passing to 150 for the Coyotes.

It was the hard, versatile running of a 14-year-old, 158-pound freshman, Bruce Outlaw, that sparked Mexia to the semi-final victory. Outlaw was the game's leading ground gainer with 104 yards on 26 carries.

The first half went according to advanced billing. The two lines, each

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of which had held opponents to an average of less than six points per game, kept the battle between the 35-yard lines for the most part.

Other than its second quarter scoring drive, Uvalde was never able to move past the Mexia 42 in the first half.

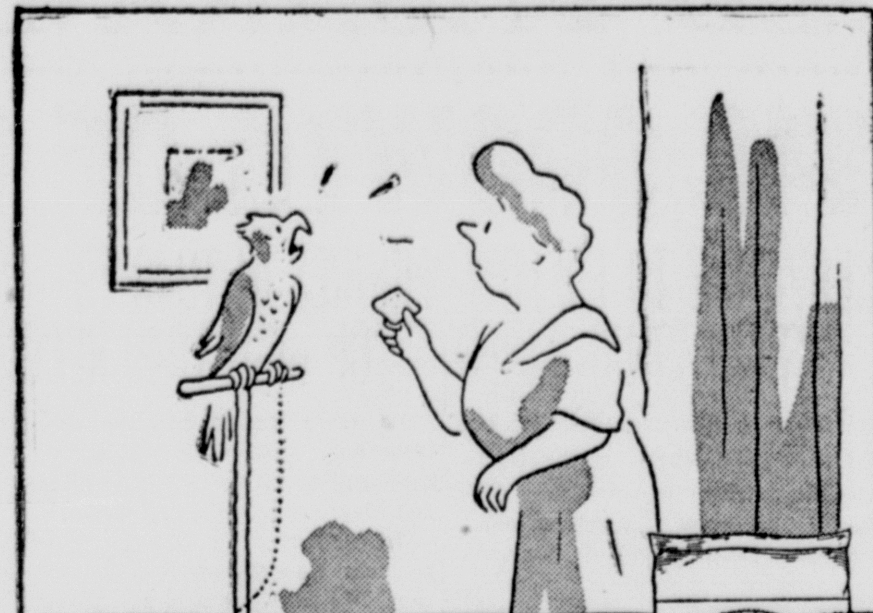
## RONNIE EUGENE PROKISCH

Mr. and Mrs. Archie E. Prokisch are the happy parents of a son, Ronnie Eugene born Thursday, December 15, 1949 at St. Edwards Hospital. The baby weighed six pounds and 13 ounces. Grand parents are Mr. and Mrs. Max Prokisch of Cameron and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Dornier of Ben Arnold. The mother is the former Miss Lucille Dornier.

## Milam Farm Boys Enter Exhibits In Houston Stock Show

Milam county rural youth are going to help the Houston Fat Stock Show and Livestock Exposition put on a fine junior dairy animal show this year, according to entry blanks coming in at the Show's Houston office. The Houston show will be held this year from February 1 through 12, 1950.

From Milam county the first entries include a junior Jersey animal to be exhibited by Marvin Rodenbeck of the Thorndale FFA. Also from the same FFA Chapter, Billy Clark Graham will exhibit a junior Guernsey. From Rockdale another junior Guernsey animal will be exhibited by Billy Eubanks.



"Crackers! Crackers! Crackers! Why don't you bake me a cake! Besides you get Queen Bess pattern silverware when you buy Gold Medal Flour!"

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TIME's coming when the air is full of good spirits, and we all feel pretty chipper—but what about that faithful Buick of yours?

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CAMERON, TEXAS

PHONES 477 and 364-J



Martha Virginia Black and roommate Jeane Storey, students at Baylor spent the week end visiting Sheriff and Mrs. Carl Black. Billy Black also a student at Baylor was home for the week end.

Mrs. Grady Walston of Hearne is among the patients ill and in Newton Memorial Hospital.

Ouida Cox has returned to her home in Orange after being a patient at Newton Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira L. Pack, Sr. of Buckholts transacted business in Cameron Tuesday of the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Weems spent Sunday in Waco visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Duncan.

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### HUMAN ECHO

## Man Displays Weird Faculty

SPOKANE, Wash.—Did you ever try to talk to a man who could say—even as you were saying—the very things said? That would be a trying experience and, when talking to Ronald Severson, a lock-and-safe-salesman, it is a trying experience, for he can do just that very thing.

Ever since he was seven years old, he could do the trick, and ever since he has been going around having the last word with everybody. He can talk, sing or yodel right along with anyone, no matter what language is used, from French to Norwegian, from pig latin to tobacco auctioneer.

"I don't know how I picked it up," he says. "I guess it was just a kid trick. But it didn't go over too well with my folks after the first few times, so I didn't get too much practice at home."

Severson tells how it used to be great sport during high-school assemblies to talk right along with the guest speaker from his seat in the audience.

### Principal Not Amused

"That is, it was sport until the principal decided to let me sit in the office whenever we had an assembly," he grinned.

Psychiatrists and neurologists shake their heads in bewilderment when this 33-year-old human echo "gives 'em the works," as he puts it. They offer all sorts of explanations, for example, "You have a short cut between your hearing and speaking organs; you are gifted with mental telepathy."

"But then they say those things are impossible and they don't know how I do it," Severson says. "I think I just have extra sharp hearing."

One of his favorite gags is to get himself picked for one of those audience-participation radio shows where the master of ceremonies considers himself capable of coping with anybody.

### Puzzles Engineers

"The first thing that usually happens when I start talking along with him is the quickened interest of the engineers. They think they are getting a feedback and go nuts trying to find it."

When Severson was single, women were his favorite victims.

"First they'd get nervous, then they'd get flustered, then some would get hysterical until tears streamed down their face as I talked along with them. Invariably they would swear I was reading their mind. Unfortunately, I couldn't."

Severson proudly claims to have steered at least four drunks back onto the path of sobriety.

"I give 'em the business when they're pretty far gone and you'd be surprised how quickly they swear off for at least that night," he says. "But then sometimes I'll talk along with a drunk and he'll whirl on the bartender and accuse him of slipping him a Mickey."

### Woman Operates Ranch, Has Time for Hobbies

LODGEPOLE, S. D.—Operating a 1,560-acre ranch normally is considered a man's-size job, but Helen Knudson takes it in stride and still has time for two hobbies—painting and plant care.

She has been ranching alone in the northwest corner of South Dakota since her husband died 18 years ago. And although neighbors lend a hand on occasion, she has a reputation as being "her own best help."

She also is known as an "excellent cook and No. 1 housekeeper."

Hauling hay, fencing, taking care of 160 head of sheep and 35 head of cattle, as well as planting and harvesting crops, are all in the day's occupation for the woman rancher.

Her ranch, fenced and cross-fenced with woven wire, is divided into seven pastures which permits rotation and control of sheep grazing.

Six years ago she broke her leg while trying to stop a runaway horse. This, she admits, slowed her down. But her friends contend it still would take a good man to get as much work done as she finds time for.

Mrs. Knudson came to the West river country with homesteader parents in 1910.

### Electrical Device Plays Good Game Tic-Tac-Toe

SAN FRANCISCO.—An engineer has invented an electrical device, complete with 32 telephone-type relays, which won't solve any of the world's great problems, but which plays a good game of tic-tac-toe.

Robert Haufe described his invention at an American institute of electrical engineers convention. The gadget, Haufe said, plays tic-tac-toe against a human opponent and wins every time or forces the opponent to a draw—except there's a catch, maybe to please human vanity.

Pushing a built-in switch is guaranteed to throw the machines a bit off its usually relentless electrical stride, enabling a skillful human opponent to actually win, occasionally.

## MILAM FARMERS VOTE HEAVY FOR QUOTAS

Returns Friday from the special election held among cotton farmers Thursday disclosed that Milam county voted almost solidly for continuation of the government program on marketing quotas and support prices.

Alva E. Sanders, manager of the government agricultural offices here said that there were 1092 votes cast for the marketing quotas and 109 against.

The total vote was short of the potential strength by around fifty per cent. Mr. Sanders estimated that some 2500 votes could have been cast but the vote was very satisfactory since it registered a preponderant support of the government program.

The vote was heavily in favor of the marketing quotas over all the cotton states.

## J. C. Penney Company Authorizes Payment Bonus To Associates

The board of directors of the J. C. Penney Company have authorized a special payment of an amount equal to two weeks' pay for all full-time associates who have been employed for the full year of 1949 and on a proportionate basis for extra and part-time associates and for those employed less than a year.

All Penney associates throughout the Company share in this payment except those who are members of the management staff and whose earnings are determined largely by the Company's long-standing profit-sharing plan.

Mr. Maddox, manager of the J. C. Penney Company store, said that more than 50,000 Penney associates all over the United States will participate in this payment, including 12 of the Cameron store. He further emphasized that this was not a

Christmas bonus in the usual sense and was non-recurring.

The Company some years ago substituted a Thrift and Profit-Sharing Plan for the more usual Christmas bonus and into this plan is annually paid a proportionate share of Company earnings. The current extra payment, just announced, is additional to these thrift and profit-sharing benefits.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Lucko of Route 2, Cameron received word from their son, Melvin B. Lucko that he was made Corporal on December 1 from the rank of Private First Class. He is with the D, Btry, 5th F. A. Bw and is stationed in Germany. He volunteered for the regular army in July, 1948.

Friends of August Gurecky will regret to learn he is ill and a patient in St. Edwards Hospital.

Charles Williams little son of Mrs. Maebelle Williams of Cameron is ill and in Newton Memorial Hospital for treatment.

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## Buy At Home

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To Everyone Merry Christmas  
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## SEE THE NEW CROSLEY CAR

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CAMERON, TEXAS



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Christmas  
is a Merry one—

**HILLTOP TAVERN**  
**COTTON BRYAN**  
join us for holiday cheer



## Covington Boy Kills Childhood Sweetheart Tries to Kill Himself

COVINGTON, Dec. 20 — George Clements, 19, shot and killed his beautiful childhood sweetheart today and then tried to kill himself.

The dark-haired, stocky youth pumped three shots into pretty Marilyn Forston, 17, in the D. O. Donham hardware store here shortly before 1 p. m. and then critically wounded himself.

Miss Forston was home on Christmas vacation from Texas Wesleyan college at Fort Worth.

The gun was the same which Clements' brother, Robert, 27, used last summer to kill his father-in-law, Charles Avery, and then himself.

Mrs. R. L. Donham, wife of a partner in the hardware and dry-goods store, said George entered as Marilyn was sitting at a wrapping table after buying Christmas cards. The time was about 12:35 p. m.

Mrs. Donham said he went by Marilyn, stepped back by the toy table; faced around, put a gun at Marilyn's back, and shot. She said Marilyn "fell at the first shot and he shot again while she was falling."

"I saw him point the gun at her again as she lay on the floor. I heard three shots before I got out of the store," Mrs. Donham said.

D. O. Donham, senior partner in the store, said "he shot her once or twice after she fell on the floor." Then George changed his gun to his left hand and shot himself in left temple," Donham said.

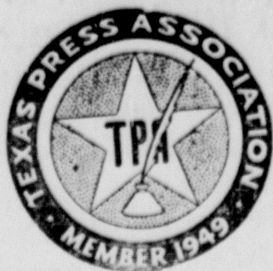
The blue-eyed coed died instantly. Clements was taken 12 miles north to the Memorial hospital at Cleburne where his condition tonight was reported "very poor." He was still unconscious.

Clements, a native of Covington, had been living with his parents at Fort Worth, where Miss Forston was attending Texas Wesleyan college.

Miss Forston's mother, Mrs. Frank Forston, said she did not believe the two were sweethearts, though they had dated occasionally while both attended high school in this central town of about 500 people.

Miss Forston lived with her parents two miles north of here.

R. F. Clements, George Clements' father, said at the Cleburne hospital



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### Five Generations



REUNION: Here are pictured five generations of the Mraz family in Cameron. A family reunion was recently held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Mraz, Sr. Standing left to right: Mrs. Ann Sevcik, 42, of Cor-

pus Christi; Mrs. J. J. Mraz, Sr., 62, of Cameron. Seated left to right: Mrs. Wever Michel, 20, and daughter, Diane Catrin, 10 months, and Mrs. Tom Zimmerhanel, 84, of Flatonia, Texas.

that George and Marilyn had been going together "off and on" since grammar school days in Covington.

He said George had broken up with Marilyn about two or three months ago "but he had broken up with her before so many times we didn't think anything about it."

Clements said that since the recent breakup George had been dating other girls in Fort Worth, but stayed at home most of the time.

### MRS. FRANCES KOENIG RITES HERE THURSDAY

Funeral services for Mrs. Frances Koenig will be held at 9 a. m. Thursday, December 22 by Father George J. Duda at St. Monica's Catholic Church.

Mrs. Koenig died at her home on South Crockett street in Cameron at 5:00 p. m. December 20. She had been ill for a long period of time. Mrs. Koenig was 77 years old and a native of Austria. She was born January 17, 1872. She came to Cameron in 1904 and had been a resident here since that time. She was an aunt of Mrs. Frank Richter, Sr., of Cameron.

Mrs. Koenig was preceded in death by her husband and two small children years ago.

Interment will be made in St. Monica's Cemetery with the Mark-Burns Funeral Home directing arrangements. The body will be at the funeral home until funeral time Thursday.

Pallbearers will be: Joe Richter, Bill Richter, Frank Richter, Jr., Rudolph Richter, J. C. Andres and Brian McLaughlin.

### Billy Nabours Plans To Attend Houston Fat Stock Show

One Milam county youth, calf scramble winners at the 1949 Houston Fat Stock Show and Livestock Exposition, plans to attend the 1950 show, February 1 through 12, and will compete for almost \$4,000 in special prizes.

The boy and the name of his calf sponsor is Billy Nabours, FFA from Cameron, Stelzig Saddlery Co. of Houston, sponsor.

One of the top prizes given at the 1950 show will be the Jim Tucker award, a \$2,000 scholarship to Texas A. & M. College. The Houston insurance man is offering the scholarship for the second consecutive year to one of the 10 top exhibitors of scramble calves.

Herald Want Ads Pay Dividends.

## YARRELLTON NEWS

MRS. LENA RUSSELL

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Yungmann and daughters, Doris and Gloria left Tuesday for a visit with relatives in California during the holidays.

Miss Ella Jean Colburn of Denton is home for the holidays.

G. W. Blansett returned home from St. Edwards Hospital Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Barrett of Orange and Mr. and Mrs. John Barrett and baby of Honey Grove are here for the holidays to visit with their mother, Mrs. Janie Barrett and other relatives.

Mrs. John Page returned to her home last week end after a visit in the Charles Griffin home, and Mrs. Chas. Barrett of Corpus Christi has arrived to be at the bedside of their father who remains critically ill.

Miss Margaret Cochran is spending the holidays with homefolks, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cochran. Margaret is a Baylor University student.

Rev. R. L. South and Evelyn Klappa spent Sunday in the Chas. Russell home.

The Christmas Program held at the church Sunday night was a success. The pastor and a group from South Elm along with many other visitors were welcomed and we were glad to have them in our midst for services Sunday night.

Rev. R. L. South and family will spend Christmas with their parents in New Mexico.

### 28 Entries In Yule Decorations Contest Judging Thursday

At closing time late Monday there were 28 entries in the Yule decorations contest, it was announced by L. G. Smith, manager of the Chamber of Commerce.

Judging will start in the early evening Thursday, December 22. Judges will be from Temple and they will not know the names of the contest entries, only Numbers.

The Chamber announced prizes totaling \$132 and the number of decorations entered was said very satisfactory. Quite a few decorations add to the Christmas color but have not entered the contest.

### Sends Contribution To Old Cemetery Fund; Reads Daily Midget In Minneapolis, Minn.

Minneapolis, Minn.  
December 17, 1949

The Daily Midget:

"You may be surprised to know that the Daily Midget gets this far north. I received a copy from a friend Mrs. H. D. Reynolds.

"I saw the story of the old city cemetery and am interested in the care and beautifying of it as I have loved ones there. So am sending my contribution of \$5.00 to help with the work. Hoping you have lots more contributions to keep the work going.

Yours truly,  
R. E. FITZGERALD  
1308 Harmon Place  
Minneapolis, Minn.

### Old Cemetery Gets Donations; Plans For Its Improvement

Since the last report three have sent in their contributions to the fund being raised for maintenance and improvement of the old city cemetery on the river road east of Cameron.

Here are the contributions:  
Mrs. E. E. Turner ..... \$5.00  
L. G. Watson, Colorado City .... 5.00  
R. E. Fitzgerald,

Minneapolis, Minn. .... 5.00

Plans are for improving the cemetery by building a rock wall facing the highway to be topped by an iron fence and to build a fence around the remainder. To do this funds will be needed. Recently \$40 was raised and spent to clean the cemetery and remake the mounds.

Many of the graves cannot be identified since there are no markers.

Interested people here realize that since the cemetery was laid out more than 100 years ago, that many who have relatives buried there live in distant places, far from the old home community. They will want to have a share in this work. All contributions may be mailed to The Cameron Herald.

A committee is to be named to plan for the cemetery and Mrs. J. B. White has been designated as treasurer for the fund.

### Ina Bell King Is Hostess to Friends At Christmas Party

Miss Ina Bell King entertained friends with a Christmas party in the club rooms of the Milam Coffee Shop Sunday evening.

The club rooms were decorated with Christmas lanterns and a glittering Christmas tree.

Refreshments were served buffet style. A record player furnished the Christmas music and other popular records.



## LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus:

I hope you will be able to find me since I moved. If it will be possible I would like to have a baby coo doll. I would like a purse that has a place for coins.

From,

BEVERLY ANN DAVIDSON  
P. S. Santa I have been a good girl this year and if there is anything else for an eight year old girl, please bring it to me. And bring the poor boys and girls something.  
Thank you.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a girl seven years old. I live in Branchville. For Christmas I want a book satchel, a baton, some doll clothes and fruit. Don't forget my sisters and brothers and nephews. Also other children of the world.

Your friend,  
PATRICIA WILKINSON

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a Toni doll, a desk and chair for me to study by. I go to school and am in the first grade. I also want a bator. We march and play at school. I would like some skates, too.

Thank you,  
JEAN LESTER

Dear Santa:

I just want to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a Bible, a pair of skates and a bicycle. And also a watch. I am a girl ten years old. I am in the fifth grade. Santa, please bring me a Bible.

Yours truly,  
JANE PRATT

Dear Santa:

I am in the third grade. Please bring me a doll, a set of dishes, a necklace and a bracelet.

With love,  
MARY CAROLYN KOCHTIK

DEAR SANTA:

I have been a good little girl so please bring me some toys and a pretty doll, and bring all the other little boys and girls something nice.

I love you Santa,  
BARBARA ANN BARRETT

Dear Santa Claus:

I sure would like to have a little bicycle for Christmas. I need it to ride to school.

CHARLES RAY HALPAIN

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a locomotive with a funny face and a bell on it, and some new records, if you have Clementine, please bring it to me. Also a dart set, some caps for my guns, cowboy boots, comic books, candy, fruit and nuts. I hope all little girls and boys will get some toys for Christmas.

With Love,  
CHARLES THOS. LE BLEU

## VERGE RICHARDS BURIED MONDAY

Verge Richards, 80, died at his home on West 1st street following a long illness late Sunday.

Mr. Richards was a retired farmer in the Yarellton community for 50 years.

He was married to Nettie Norman and to this family nine children were born.

Survivors are his widow of Cameron and children as follows: Mrs. Jack Blackmon of Cosby, Roy Richards of Cameron, George Richards of Temple, D. C. Richards of Minerva, Mrs. Bill White of Temple, Mrs. Bill Hinton of Cosby, John Richards of Austin, 21 grand children and five great grand children. Seven sisters survive, Mrs. M. W. Price of Cameron, Annie Collins of Alabama, Mrs. W. B. Walden, Mrs. Lucy Clifton Mrs. Willie Fagg of Dime Box, Mrs. Melvin Weems of Cameron and Mrs. Ned Fuller of Cameron.

Funeral services were to be held 3 o'clock Monday evening with Rev. O. L. Morgan directing the service at the Rockdale Baptist church. Burial in North Elm Cemetery with Phillips and Lucky of Rockdale making the arrangements.

### Sharon Cammer Given Honors on Birthday

Miss Sharon Cammer celebrated her birthday with a Christmas party Friday night, December 16, 1949.

The party was held at the club rooms of the Milam Coffee Shop where guests attended in formal attire.

Yule tide decorations lent a festive air to the happy occasion.

The honoree received many beautiful and useful gifts which surrounded the lighted Christmas tree.

Mrs. Cammer, the honoree's mother was assisted by Mrs. Hayden Lawrence in serving a delightful refreshment course.

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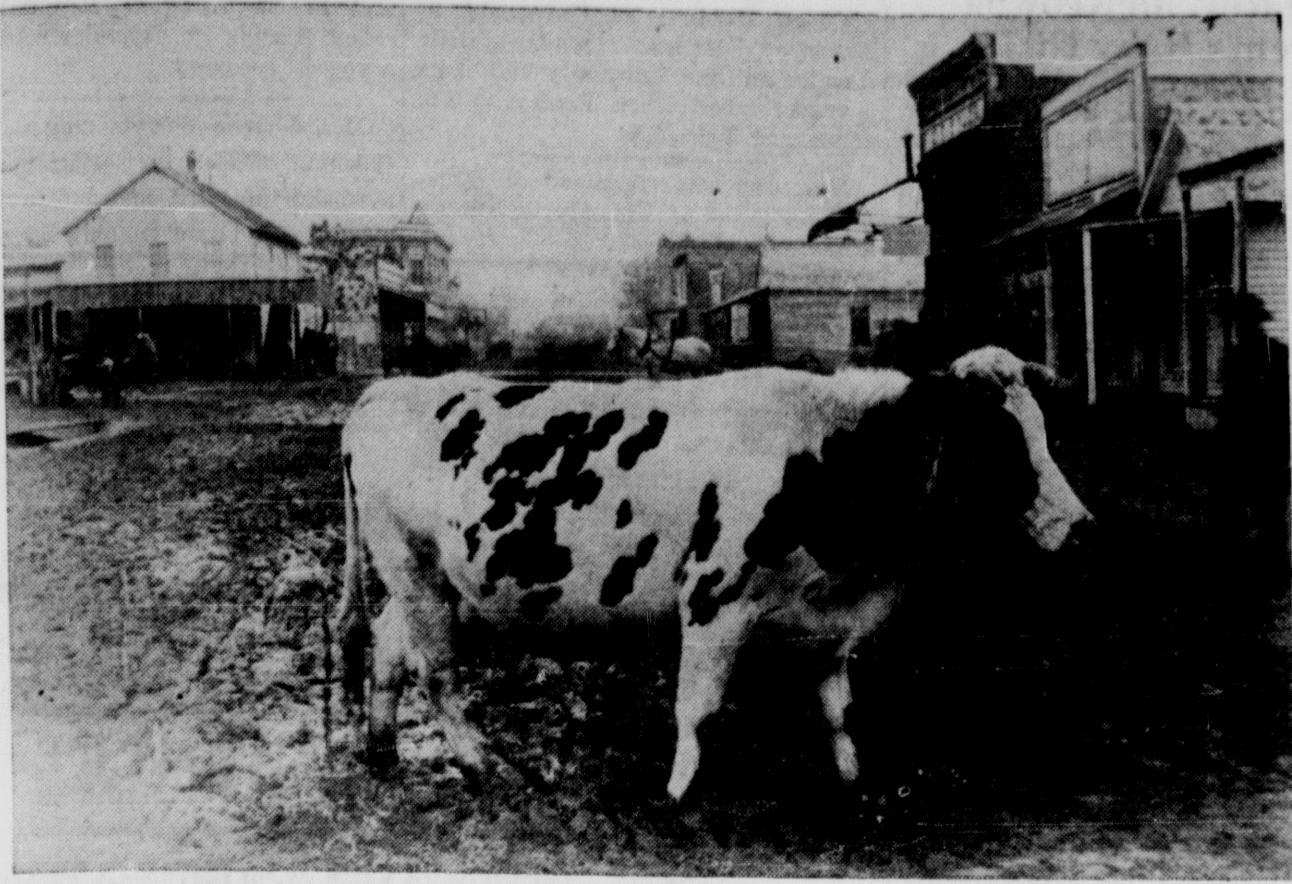
SCHILLER MOTORS

## TRY DELTA SYRUP WITH THAT OLD SOUTH CANE FLAVOR



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**EARLY DAY:** Here is an early day scene in Cameron, looking west on East 1st Street. The Holstein cow you see in the foreground was the main object of the snap of the camera by the early day photographer. This cow, one of a number brought into Cameron was owned by the late Judge Terral, father Ed. Terral, owner of this photo. This picture was brought to The Herald by Wyatt Wolf who borrowed it for a copy. The cow stands in the street at a point that would now be directly in front of the Herald plant. The streets

are muddy. The first building to the left was a law office, says Mr. Wolf. The next building is the Ike Hooks saloon and the brick appears to be the Henry Dreyer building. The corner lot where the Government Agricultural offices stand was vacant. There was no Auditorium Hotel and the remainder of the block had only one wooden building. In the distance to the right can be seen the old First National Bank building erected by the late John M. Hefley. On the left the wooden building was a mercan-

tile establishment on the corner where the Stedman Tractor Company is located. The other wooden building, long since torn down, was near the site of the Yoe Buildings now owned by Adolph Winfield. Across on the corner of First and South Houston is the John M. and J. D. Hefley building. They were merchants. Later this building was owned by the late C. N. Green & Bros. Upstairs are the working quarters of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, one of few attic exchanges left in the state.

## MRS. JOE BARON TO BE BURIED SATURDAY

(From the Daily)

Mrs. Joe Baron, 48, a native of Cameron, died in Newton Memorial Hospital at 9:15 p. m. Wednesday, December 14.

Mrs. Baron had been in declining health for sometime and was under treatment in the hospital for several days before her death.

Mrs. Baron was born in Cameron on January 27, 1902 daughter of the pioneer Zalesky family. Her husband the late Joe Baron, preceded her in death in August of this year.

Funeral services for Mrs. Baron were to be held Saturday, December 17 at 9 a. m. from St. Monica's Catholic church by Rev. George J. Duda, Priest. Interment will be made in St. Monica's cemetery with the Marek-Burns Funeral Home directing arrangements.

The body will be at the Marek-Burns Funeral Home Thursday night and will be moved to the family residence at 304 West Main Street Friday.

Surviving are two daughters, Miss Lydia Baron with Southwestern Bell Telephone Company in Cameron and Miss Frances Baron of Houston; three brothers and five sisters as follows: Joe Zalesky, Buckholts, Anton Zalesky, Cameron and Rudolph Zalesky of Dallas; Mrs. Fred Richter, Houston, Mrs. Frank Hracek, Dayton, Texas, Mrs. Rudolph Kurtz, Houston, Mrs. Johnnie Hanel, Dayton, Texas and Mrs. Harry Rummel of Dallas.

## Yvonne De Carlo At Cameron Theatre In Western Sunday

Yvonne De Carlo plays the same character three different ways in "The Gal Who Took the West," Universal-International picture, coming Sunday to the Cameron Theatre.

That's because the story, told in flashbacks, is related by three old men whose memories differ on important points.

One recalls Miss De Carlo as being in delicate health, another as having a hangover, and the third as a gold-digger. The actress interprets her role of in an Arizona frontier town in the '90's to fit each of these descriptions.

The Technicolor picture is her first comedy. She is co-starred with Charles Coburn and her two leading men, Scott Brady and John Russell.

## St. Rita's Circle Meets December 14

St. Rita Circle met at Simon-George Memorial Hall, Wednesday, December 14, with Mrs. Rudolph Richter and Mrs. Frank Polansky as hostesses.

The hall was beautifully decorated in festive yuletide colors in keeping with the season.

Members donated gift wrapped presents for the veterans at McCloskey Hospital in Temple. A basket of gifts was also presented to the Sisters at St. Monica's Catholic Church.

During the social hour the hostesses served kolaches and coffee.

## ONLY 1073 ISSUED IN COUNTY TO WEDNESDAY

Poll Tax Payments were lagging badly in both county and city, it was disclosed here Wednesday as The Daily Midget made a survey.

Up to noon Wednesday only 1073 had been issued in Milam county at the office of the Tax Collector, Valter White.

While poll tax payments were far behind payment of other taxes was about 80 per cent complete. Mr. White explained that due to the November vote on the proposed amendment to abolish the Poll Tax that many paid their other taxes but did not pay poll taxes.

January 31 is the deadline to pay poll taxes in order to qualify to vote in 1950. Since the people turned down the amendment to abolish the poll tax it will have to be paid.

People living in the city will have to pay both city and county poll in order to qualify for voting.

W. H. Stafford, city tax collector, said that 278 poll taxes had been paid in the city. Many here also delayed poll tax payments because of the pending proposed amendment. January 31 is the deadline on payment of taxes in the city. Advalorem tax payments were being paid at about the usual rate.

Over in the county office Collector White pointed out that in 1947 he issued 623 poll taxes and 74 exemptions. In the off political eve year of 1948 the county issued only 3772.

## WANT-ADS

THREE good mules for sale. See Frank Meek, Route 1, Cameron. 36-2tp

### SALESMAN WANTED

DON'T WRITE US IF you like to punch a time clock and work for the other man, DO WRITE US IF you would like to go into a business of your own, in South Milam County or Hearne, Calvert and Franklin, write Rawleigh's Dept. TXL-1611-256A, Memphis, Tenn. or see Willard Chapman, 806 Travis, Cameron, Texas. 36-6tp

WANTED—Lady to hold Stanley parties. \$35 to \$70 per week. Contact Mrs. Jimmie Martin. Hearne, Phone 459-J. 36-1tp

GIVE A POT PLANT for Christmas. A wide selection of flowering and foliage plants. Foster Produce Company, Phone 554. 36-1tc

ITS HAWG KILLING TIME! We have a 35 gallon wash pot we will sell for some cash and a mess of spare ribs. Dinks Second Hand Store. Phone 730. 14-1tc

FOR FREE PICK-UP On dead animals, call us collect. C. W. Hudson, Phone 753, Cameron, Texas. 35-3tc

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### NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF ESTATE OF MRS. JOE ANNA GAMBILL, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original letters of administration upon the estate of Mrs. Joe Anna Gambill, deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on the 12th day of December, 1949, by the County Court of Milam County. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same to me within the time prescribed by law. My residence and post office address are, 204 E. 23rd Street, Cameron, Milam County, Texas.

R. G. CHAPMAN

Independent Executor of will of Mrs. Joe Ann Gambill, Deceased. 35-4tp

FOR SALE—In order to close out an estate, 270 acres of land, more or less located 11 miles south of Cameron on Tracy road, REA, Telephone, well of good water, one-half in cultivation, 5 room dwelling, barn and out buildings. Also 90 acres of pasture adjoining on west side. Will sell surface rights only to this land. Price \$50.00 per acre, Cash. Write or phone RAY E. DAVIS, OLNEY, TEXAS, PHONE No. 419, or ROSS DAVIS, ARCHER CITY, TEXAS, BOX 133. 34-4tc

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## The Cameron Herald

December 22, 1949

## BOUNTIFUL HARVEST MAKES A FINE YEAR

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19—United States crop production was the second largest in history this year—and as a result it may be the last year for some time that farmers are free of broad government controls.

The Agriculture department's final report of the year showed today that the total output was 132 percent of the 1923-32 average, compared with last year's record peak of 137.5 per cent.

This year's harvested acreage turned out to be the largest since 1932, when depression-ridden farmers sought to offset declining prices by expanding production.

Considering the big acreage, production this year would easily have set a new record had acreage yields equaled last year's. But bad weather during the growing season in some sections kept yields down.

Nevertheless, the harvest is so large that the department has felt called upon to invoke production controls of various kinds in an attempt to reduce the volume next year. Crops likely to be produced under controls of some kind or other include cotton, peanuts, major types of tobacco, rice, potatoes and soybeans.

This year's big volume has been reflected in lower producer prices and in a drop in farm income.

The department said the huge harvest was the result of uniformly large production of most crops, rather than record volumes of a few individual ones. Records were marked up only for rice, dry beans and peas.

But a corn crop of 3,378,000,000 bushels is only eight percent below last year's record of 3,682,000,000 and is 21 per cent above the average.

This is the fifth recent year in which the production of corn—the raw material for meats, dairy and poultry products—has exceeded 3,000,000,000 bushels.

This year's production includes near record crops of soybeans, grain sorghum and tree nuts, relatively large crops of cotton, cottonseed, wheat, oats, flaxseed, tobacco, apples, peaches, cherries, hops, cranberries, sugar cane or sugar, and truck crops.

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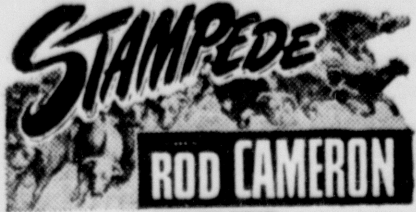
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Littlefield Defeats Garland 27 to 13 In Vernon Semi-Final

VERNON, Tex., Dec. 16 — Littlefield's big, tough, hard-running Wildcats knocked Garland's "Cinderella kids" out of the Texas class A school-boy football race today, 27-13, and will play Mexia in the finals next week.

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R. H. SAPP DIED IN ROSEBUD THURSDAY

ROSEBUD, Dec. 15 — R. H. Sapp, 50, prominent business leader here, died early Thursday morning. Funeral services will be held from the Green's Funeral Chapel at 10 a. m. Friday with the Rev. Don R. Box officiating. Burial will be in Woodland Cemetery.

Mr. Sapp was born Sept. 19, 1899, in Cameron and moved to Rosebud five years later with his parents. He had made his home here continuously since.

He had been honored many times during his life for his work with the Boy Scouts in the Heart O' Texas Council. He was recently awarded the Silver Beaver Medal, one of the top awards of the Scouting program.

Mr. Sapp was an honor student, president of the graduating class and star track athlete during his years in the Rosebud school. He continued his track accomplishments during his three years at Texas University.

Survivors include his widow; one daughter, Miss Jane Sapp, student at Baylor; one son, David R. Sapp, student at Texas University; one sister, Mrs. Bessie Weaver of Rosebud and one brother, T. M. Sapp of Corpus Christi.

City Marshal Gets "Mike" The Hog On Award Ticket Here

Jim McGoldrick, city marshal, was awarded "Mike" the hog Saturday morning.

This hog was sponsored by the Cameron Lions Club and the proceeds went to charity. Marshal McGoldrick held Ticket No. 3.

Mike was fattened at the Ideal Hatchery's feed store on special Purina chows, he weighed 70 pounds 75 days ago and when he was given away he weighed 223 pounds, having gained 153 pounds in the period.

Betty Clark has returned home much improved after being ill in St. Edwards Hospital.

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The Rev. McKeowns Parents Baby Girl

Rev. and Mrs. James McKeown announce the arrival of a daughter, Jennifer Jane, born December 15, 1949 at St. Edwards Hospital.

Rev. McKeown is Rector of All Saints Episcopal Church in Cameron. Rev. and Mrs. McKeown have two other daughters, Carol and Linda.

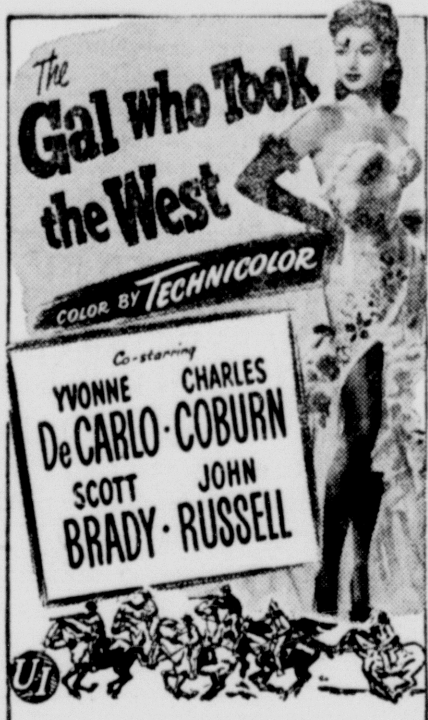
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**BARNHILL IS OUT**  
Coach Barnhill at University of Arkansas has been made athletic director and the University will name a head football coach, Friday, it was announced Thursday.

Mrs. Charlene O'Donnell of Houston is a guest of Miss Myrtle Hinton a few days this week.

August Knipp of Cameron is ill and in St. Edwards Hospital. His many friends in Cameron with him a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Charlie Barrett and Mrs. Pat Coleman of Corpus Christi are here to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives in Cameron and Yarrington.



THE MILAM THEATRE  
SUNDAY AND MONDAY, DECEMBER 25 and 26



THE MILAM THEATRE  
SUNDAY AND MONDAY, JANUARY 1 and 2

Cameron Theatre

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24

"MASSACRE RIVER"

Guy Madison and Rory Calhoun

SUNDAY AND MONDAY, DECEMBER 25 and 26

"THE GAL WHO TOOK THE WEST"

Yvonne de Carlo & Charles Coburn

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27 and 28

"SCENE OF THE CRIME"

Van Johnson and Gloria De Haven

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29 and 30

"BEYOND THE FORREST"

Bette Davis and Joseph Cotton

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31

"ARTIC MANHUNT"

Mikel Conrad and Carol Thurston

Milam Theatre

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23 and 24

"OUTCASTS OF THE TRAIL"

Monte Hale

SUNDAY AND MONDAY, DECEMBER 25 and 26

"THE FLYING TIGERS"

John Wayne

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27 and 28

"WHO DONE IT"

Abbott & Costello

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29

"WINNERS TAKE ALL"

Joe Kirkwood and Leon Errol

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30 and 31

"SUSANNA PASS"

Roy Rogers



## NEW POSTAGE METER SPEEDS PARCEL POST

Cameron's parcel post customers will now find the chore of mailing packages a streamlined snap.

Postmaster J. R. Hays has installed postage meters that cut down waiting in line time at the windows and parcels can now be mailed without so much as a lick of the stamp.

Coming appropriately just before the Christmas mailing rush, this installation is among 300 units which the Post Office Department recently ordered from Pitney-Bowes, Inc., makers of mailing machines for business and government. They bring the number of cities having this "metered" parcel post mailing service to 1274.

Here is how the new public service works: the window clerk at the parcel post window weighs your package computes the fee, takes your money and touches levers on the electrically operated postage meter machine.

Out pops a small printed label, gummed and even automatically moistened, complete with postage to exact total value, plus city postmark and date of mailing. It is slapped on your package, and the transaction is over. Time spent waiting in line

is halved, and stamp licking abolished. The new device is a cousin of the familiar postage meter used by business firms under government license to stamp and seal letters and to prepay parcel post charges in their own offices and shipping rooms. According to the manufacturers, the new postoffice model completely eliminates the need for storing, selecting, handling and affixing stamps of the various denominations needed to make up the postage fees, since any value—from 1c to \$10.00—is issued instantly in a single "meter stamp".

## Baptist Plan Xmas Services; Pastor To Speak Sunday

Rev. P. A. Corkern, pastor will speak at both the morning and evening services Sunday. The evening service will be a candlelight service.

The annual Christmas tree party will be held at the church, Friday, December 23.

The pastor will hold both services on Christmas day, and the evening service will be student night.

Miss Nora Hailes of Buckholts was in Cameron shopping Thursday.

## CHURCH CHOIRS SLATE BIG SUNDAY CANTATA

(From the Daily)  
The first of a series of Christmas holiday program at the churches in Cameron will be given Sunday beginning at 5 p. m. at First Methodist Church.

The Cantata, third annual such program, is entitled "The Child of Bethlehem," and is being arranged by members of a central choir made up of members of church choirs of the city.

Mrs. Joe S. Hickman who has successfully arranged the Cantata here

1. Hark! What Mean Those Holy Voices Chorus
2. How Beautiful on the Mountains Ladis Marek, Jr. Chorus
3. Break Forth Into Joy Shirley Horstmann and Ladis Marek, Jr. Chorus
4. His Name Shall Be Called Immanuel Margaret Horstmann
5. The Spirit of the Lord Chorus and Max McClaren
6. Star of the East Mr. Nobles and Chorus
7. And There Were Shepherds Mrs. Collins and Chorus
8. And Suddenly There Was With the Angel Margaret Horstmann
9. Glory to God in the Highest Chorus
10. Cradle Song Shirley Horstmann and Chorus
11. Let Us Now Go Even Unto Bethlehem Mr. Nobles, Mrs. Harsha and Chorus
12. Calm on the Listening Ear of Night Margaret Weston Chorus
13. Arise, Shine Chorus
14. Come and Adore Him Chorus

### SOLOISTS

Miss Shirley Horstmann  
Miss Margaret Horstmann  
Miss Margaret Weston  
Mrs. W. G. Harsha

Mrs. Inez Collins  
Mr. W. F. Nobles  
Mr. Ladis Marek, Jr.  
Mr. Max McClaren

### CHOIR MEMBERS

Mrs. Julian Baskin  
Mrs. Gene Blake  
Marie Brod  
Vivian Carleton  
Christine Carr  
Mr. E. C. Cole  
Mrs. E. C. Cole  
Mrs. Inez Collins  
Mrs. Seth Corley, Jr.  
Judge M. G. Cox  
Mrs. John Davis  
Mrs. Eddie Dodson  
Mrs. Wilburn DuBois, Jr.  
Martha Emmett  
Camille Faver  
Nancy Foster  
Roy Griffith  
Mrs. Marlin Harris  
Mrs. W. G. Harsha  
Margaret Horstmann  
Shirley Horstmann  
Mr. F. E. Jackson  
Mr. Charles Kahler

Mr. Ernest Kahler, Jr.  
Mr. T. J. Kirk  
Mrs. Charlie Knipp  
Mr. Bill Kuehl  
Mrs. Bill Kuehl  
Mr. A. D. Lagrone  
Mr. J. C. Mayfield  
Mr. Max McClaren  
Mr. Albert McCullin, Jr.  
Mrs. Lyle McDermott  
Mr. W. F. Nobles  
Helen Reichert  
Ruth Reichert  
Helen Richards  
Mr. Ernest Rischer  
Mrs. Alva Sanders  
Doris Serkel  
Mildred Thornton  
Leslie Rose Torno  
Edith Walton  
Mrs. Ray Westbrook  
Margaret Weston  
Yvonne Wimberly  
Mr. Clayton Kahler

Mrs. Joe S. Hickman  
Director

Mrs. Hilliard Thomas  
Organist

## Highway 77 Body Is To Be Organized In Waco In February

BISHOP, Dec. 16—A steering committee for a Texas unit of the Highway 77 Association was named when representatives of cities along Highway 77, from the Rio Grande Valley north to Sinton, got together here Thursday.

Waco was chosen as the point for the organizational meeting, which probably will be called in February, V. M. Lancaster, manager of the Bishop Chamber of Commerce and exponent of the association, said.

Lancaster was named chairman of the steering committee. Other mem-

bers are Sid McKinnon of Sinton, W. J. Bryan of Robstown, A. C. Gandy and Ed Eward of Kingsville and O. L. Johnson of Harlingen.

Prime purpose of the group is to promote Highway 77 as the most direct south route through Texas, as well as from Canada to Mexico.

Natt B. Wofford with the Texas Employment Commission with headquarters in Temple, was in Cameron Friday on business and visiting with friends. Cameron is his home and always will be.

Mayor and Mrs. Roy Griffith, Mrs. T. A. Crittenden and Mrs. Pope Sapp attended the funeral of Raleigh Sapp at Rosebud Friday.

Della Ann Bickett, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Bickett of Marlow is ill and a patient in Newton Memorial Hospital.

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## Mrs. Betty Nelson Writes Encouraging Note From Coleman

Mrs. Betty Nelson, one of hundreds of former residents of Milam County who read the Herald to keep up with happenings around the old home writes an encouraging note from Coleman:

"I enjoy the Cameron Herald very much and admire the untireless efforts of Editor White for the welfare of his town and County. I was

born in Milam County and lived there over thirty years so you see that it is not easy to get Milam County out of the system.

"Also it is very commendable for your assistance in making the little Pee Wee football team of Gause a success and bringing them untold happiness. Some of them will be far better citizens of the future than they would have been otherwise.

"My best wishes to you for a very happy Christmas and to all that assist in making the Cameron Herald the best little paper Milam County ever had, May 1950 be the best and most prosperous year for the Cameron Herald."

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## NATIONAL GUARD—

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number of communities, such as this one, were allotted units for the first time.

Battery C was activated here in 1947 as a Field Artillery unit. Last spring, however, it was converted to Anti-aircraft Artillery and became a part of the 49th Armored Division. At present the battery has four of the six officers authorized by its TO&E. Its enlisted strength is approximately as high in proportion and is steadily climbing. Two things, it is expected, will bring in enlistments and fill all of the battery's vacancies in the near future.

One of these is the recent pay increases granted by Congress when it passed the Kilday Bill. Since a Guardsman receives a full day's Army pay for each 2 hour drill period, the new rates make his spare time training even better paid than ever.

The second attraction is the fine new concrete and tile building almost completed which will be used for an armory. Last summer, under the sponsorship of the Chamber of Commerce, local citizens contributed money to purchase a 20 acre armory site, and soon thereafter work on the building, paid for by Federal funds, was started. The battery will occupy it soon after the first of the year.

The men who make up the National Guard are, as has been said before, civilians. They're clerks and farmers. They may drive trucks or taxis, or work as auto mechanics. Or, in a good many cases, be students. Probably the majority are guys having their first experience with military training. But there are plenty of veterans, too, from all of the wartime Armed Forces.

Although the National Guard's training is compressed into 2 hours of armory drill one night a week and

two weeks of summer camp, it is on a par with Regular Army training. It is checked frequently by Army instructors. And Guardsmen train with the latest Army equipment. That this training is thorough was proved by the fact that the 649th AAA Battalion received a rating of superior after its summer camp this year.

This, perhaps, will answer some of the questions. The National Guard and its purposes ought to be understood. Because it is here and has become as much a part of the progressive community as its five-and-ten cent stores, its banks, newspapers, schools and gasoline filling stations.

## BUILDING PERMITS—

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homes have been built the housing shortage is still acute.

Cameron was still critically short on business space. No new buildings have been erected in the mercantile areas, with the exception of one or two, in many years. Cameron was greatly in need of office space. Nothing came along in 1949 to change those situations.

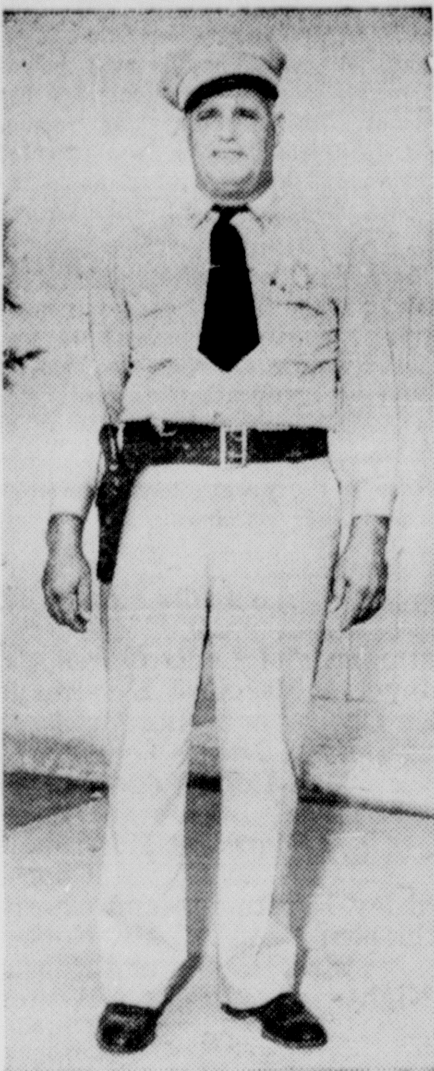
One of the prime needs here was an expansion of the business districts. Food stores in the residential areas are the most desirable possible developments in the history of the city. Concentration of traffic in a small area has created quite a problem.

As the city faced the new year, it could look back with some degree of satisfaction over the building permit total but could claim no progress on other essential needs.

## LINDA CAROL JACKSON

Linda Carol, six pound 14 ounce daughter born December 19, 1949 to Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Jackson at a Bryan Hospital. Grandparents are Oscar Patillo of Cameron and Mr. and Mrs. John Jackson of Lexington. The mother is the former Miss Edith Patillo.

Printing is a home industry.



HENRY O. LAGRONE

## Former Milano Man Is Appointed To Odessa Police Force

Henry O. LaGrone, former resident of Milano has been appointed a member of the police force in Odessa in west Texas.

Mr. LaGrone was born and reared at Milano, son of the late pioneer, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver LaGrone. Friends throughout Milam county will be glad to know of his progress on the police force in Odessa. He left his old home in Milano in August of this year and already is a veteran with the men who keep the peace in the oil rich town of Odessa with a population of more than 30,000.

Mr. LaGrone is a nephew of Mrs. V. P. Woolley of Cameron and uncle of A. D. LaGrone, member of The Herald Staff. He is one of six sons in a family of 8 children, two being girls.

This striking pose does no harm to LaGrone's celebrated personality. Folks still remember that LaGrone was quite a dancer and at one time was known as the "jitterbug king of Milam County." Right now he is putting law breakers on the carpet but his old pistol pocket friends at Milano say he is still quite a rug cutter, despite the fact he is pretty plump and 43 years old.

During the war LaGrone was a welder in Brown Ship Yards and after the war was a member of the Houston Fire Department in District 15.

## POTTS TALKS—

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Falls county line, irrespective of whether right of way progress in Falls has been complete.

Mr. Potts went into detail to explain to the leaders what financial support may be forthcoming for Texas' highway system. He told Mayor Roy Griffith that the highway department will build and maintain any type paving through the city, provided Cameron builds curbing and gutters and storm sewers where necessary.

Mr. Potts was on his way home for the holidays and his stop over here was greatly appreciated by the business men. They now feel greatly encouraged over the prospects for some quick action on Highway 77.

All right of way has been secured from Cameron to the Falls county line and work should begin at least in early 1950.

Contracts have been completed on two bridges, one over Elm Creek and the other over Walkers Creek near Ben Arnold.

Mr. Potts made inquiry about the right of ways through the city, as to whether all streets traversed by the highways are of sufficient width and expressed satisfaction that nothing remains to be done in that regard. A short distance east of the underpass of the Eanta Fe the city can get a full width to the city limits if it will build curb and gutter.

Among those present for the conference were Judge W. A. Morrison, E. A. Perrin, chairman of the highway committee in the Chamber of Commerce, John C. Andres, President of the Chamber of Commerce; J. R. Hays, Postmaster, Dr. Clifford Swift, A. W. McCullin, L. G. Smith, Manager of the Chamber of Commerce, Lester Williams, President First National Bank, L. Van Perkins, member of the City Council, J. B. White, Publisher, Jack Higginbotham, member of the State Highway Patrol.

Records indicate that about 30 per cent of the drug addicts in this country are women and that the art of the pick-pocket, once almost exclusively a man's art, is now monopolized by women.

## JONES PRAIRIE

By MRS. S. S. HICKMAN

Mrs. Robert Glenn entertained her Primary Sunday School class Friday afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock. The beautifully lighted Christmas tree held gifts for each guest. After playing several games suited to small tots the hostess served a delightful refreshment course.

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Hickman attended the Christmas Cantata, "Child Of Bethlehem," at the First Methodist Church in Cameron Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Jones attended the Christmas Cantata at SWSTC San Marcos Sunday, given by the College Choir of which their son, Richard was one of the soloists.

R. K. Fontaine and son, Billie have returned from a deer hunt in South Texas and brought home a big buck.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Storey, their son, Judson and daughter, Kay were Cameron visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bailey visited his brother, Glyn in San Marcos Hospital Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Yager were visitors in Temple Tuesday.

Mr. and Msr. LaVert McKinney

and sons, Mack and Jack of Cameron were Sunday afternoon guests in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. McKinney.

Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Philips of Andrews and Mr. and Mrs. Herman White of Houston are here to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Buck White.

Glyn Bailey of Dallas and formerly of this community is in a critical condition in a San Marcos hospital.

Mr. Bailey sustained a broken leg, crushed chest and a serious head injury in a car-truck collision near Austin. His many friends here wish for him a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McNeill shopped in Waco Friday.

Roy Burnett of Freeport spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Burnett.

Mrs. I. R. Glenn is ill at her home here, and her many friends hope she will soon be well again.

Miss Evelyn Harrell, member of the Maysfield school faculty spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. S. M. Harrell.

Mrs. J. A. McKinney and Miss Ethel McKinney were Cameron visitors Monday.

## MARLOW NEWS

A group from Marlow attended the BYPU conference held annually at Milano Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollie Hairston spent Sunday visiting their daughter in Waco.

Little Della Ann Bickett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Bickett has returned to her home after being ill in Newton Memorial Hospital.

Bill Smitherman is spending the Christmas holidays visiting in the home of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. H. brother who is in the service early in the week.

## INTRODUCING

Thomas J. Hickerson III, little son to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Hickerson, Jr. of Rosebud Sunday, December 18, 1949 at a Rosebud Hospital. The baby weighed nine pounds. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Cottle of Cameron and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Hickerson, Sr. of Rosebud. The mother is the former Miss Mary Ellen Cottle.

Pat Stutt and Mrs. May Burrell of Kemah recently visited in the home of Mr. Stutt's sister, Mrs. Ada Pratt.



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**FIRE:** This remarkable photo was taken as the old Royal P. Jeter home on East 13th street was being consumed by flames around 7:30 p. m. Thursday, December 8. This photo was made by Mrs. J. L. Walker of Dee's Studio as the flames reached their peak in the growing darkness. In the foreground are white bodies of Sycamore trees. The old Jeter home was a landmark on 13th street, once the residential area of Cameron's pioneer families. At the time of the fire the home was being occupied by John Jeter, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jeter.

## DECORATION CONTEST MOVES ALONG WELL

Indications were that the Yule decoration contest in Cameron would be a big success.

Loretta M. Brock, assistant and publicity director at the Chamber of Commerce, said that 25 had entered the contest and many decorations were being made over the city that are not being entered in the contest.

Show windows in the downtown areas will not be judged in this contest. A report published in this newspaper to that effect was an error.

Inside decorations in the homes that are visible from the street will be counted as outside decorations, said Mrs. Brock.

A total of \$130 in prizes have been pledged in the Christmas decorations contest, the first being \$50. The deadline was 5 p. m. Monday so if you wish to enter call the Chamber of Commerce 101.

The decorations contest has created wide interest. Three judges will be here from Temple on December 22 to judge the entries.

## W. P. Matyastik Is Crosley Car Dealer; Has New Models

Cameron has a new automobile agency along commercial row.

W. P. Matyastik has taken the agency for the Crosley car and has a number of new models on display.

Mr. Matyastik in taking on this agency plans to establish a sales and service program for the little car. He has a sport model, Station Wagon and a Sedan on the show room floor.

This car is ideal for general utility purposes and is the most economical motor unit ever built. The cars are small, yet have all the comforts and good looks of the big cars. Gasoline consumption is so small they cannot be discounted as low cost transportation.

Mr. Matyastik invites you to see these new Crosley cars.

## The James Flowers Are Parents of Baby Daughter In Austin

Mr. and Mrs. James Flowers of Austin have announced the arrival of a baby daughter, born at 7:45 a. m. Saturday, December 17, 1949.

The baby has been named Dee Dossett. She weighed 8 pounds and two ounces at birth. Mrs. Flowers is the former Miss Dee Dossett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanton Dossett of Shreveport, La., and was reared in Cameron. Friends here were happy to have news of the blessed event, the first grand child to Mr. and Mrs. Dossett.

Mrs. Flowers is a niece of Mrs. Stanley Swift of Cameron.



## LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:

I hope you get around to me on Christmas day. I want a nice little bicycle and please bring me fruit and candy and some nuts. Will you please remember my sisters also. She wants a tricycle and a pretty dress. I will share my candy and fruit with her. Good bye Santa till Christmas day and good luck to you.

Yours truly,  
MALCIN HALPAIN

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a pair of field glasses and a doll and some doll clothes.

I love you,  
DIANNE DuBOIS

Dear Santa Claus:

Please remember all the poor children.

Your friend,  
PAUL MATYASTIK

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy six years old and in the 1st grade. Please bring me an air rifle, bell telephone, truck and a water color set. Please bring my little brother something and come to see all the other little boys and girls.

Your little friend,  
JOHN PERRY HOBSON

Dear Santa Claus:

I go to Curry school. My teacher is Miss Nell Mayes. I like her very much. I love my school mates. I hope to be remembered by Santa Claus. I want a BB gun. Wish all a Happy Christmas.

LEON LOUIS VESSELL

Dear Santa:

I am in the fourth grade. Please bring me a pump air gun, a race horse and a saddle.

Your friend,  
NATHAN WAYNE FRITZ

Dear Santa:

My teacher is Miss Nell Mayes. I like her very much and I want a pair of boots and some socks and a BB gun for this Christmas. I live on Route 1, Cameron.

Your friend,  
JAMES VESSELL

Dear Santa:

Will you please bring me two scabbards and guns. Some fruit and candy.

Your little friend,  
BILLY JOHN SIMMONS

Dear Santa:

I am sorry that some of my first grade pupils are sick and did not get to send you letters, but will you please give them all the things they wanted. Their names are Frieda Nell Jester and Mona Tucker.

MISS MARY RANDOLPH  
First Grade Teacher

Dear Santa Claus:

I am in the first grade and I am practicing to be in the band. I need a band suit and a baton, please. I would like a pair of cowboy boots, and a gold crown like a queen wears. Will you please bring my little sister Barbara something.

Love,  
LUCY CHEEVES

Dear Santa Claus:

Please, here are a few gifts I would love to get for Christmas. A real wrist watch and plenty of school supplies, a cowboy shirt, candy, nuts and fruit. And I wish and hope that all the poor needy children will have a joyful Christmas.

With lots of love,  
LOUIE GERICK, Jr.

P. S. Dear Santa my little brother, Paul is only four years old so I am writing for him. He would like to get a blue tricycle and a toy grader a play truck to haul sand in.

Thank you  
Your pals,  
PAUL AND LOUIE JR. GERICK

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a Toni doll.

Love,  
Lois Horstmann

## Christmas Day

I heard the bells on Christmas Day  
Their old familiar carols play,  
And wild and sweet  
The words repeat

Of peace on earth, good-will to men  
And thought how, as the day had gone  
The belfries of all Christendom  
Had rolled along

The Unbroken song  
Of peace on earth, good will to men

Christmas Day detached from its history and isolated from the celebrations of centuries, cannot keep our hearts and hearths warm, we must rekindle old fires and join hands with the companies of friends who have kept the day and made it merry in the long ago. The echoes of ancient song and laughter give it a rich merriment, a ripe and tender wealth of occasions. The mirth of one Christmas overflows into another until the sense of an unknown joy, sinking and rising year after year like the tide of life in the fields, is borne in upon us.

## Christmas - Chaos - or Confusion - Which?

REV. P. A. CORKERN  
Pastor First Baptist Church

This is Christmas again! What a wonderful thing Christmas is! It is the season that should cause every humble, right minded person to truly express gratitude to God. If it had not been for God's marvelous love and goodness to us in the gift of His Son we would not have Christmas. It is a recognition of Him as Savior of the world. All history focuses at the advent of Jesus Christ. The pages of history as recorded by historians are dated "Before Christ" or "After Christ". Christmas is felt throughout the Christian world. Those who are loyal followers of His will seek to honor Him in all that we do. Those who are only nominal followers of

Him will no doubt bring grief to the Father who gave Him as Savior. The group who lives in the sphere and influence of Christianity will reap many benefits from the spirit of others. But those who use this season as a means to debauch and beguile all that is right and righteous will bring confusion and chaos in many instances.

Let us look back across the centuries and take a look at the circumstances of the people at the birth of Jesus. The people were in darkness—Chaos and confusion. Jesus came as the Savior of the world. He was so called by Divine instruction given through an Angel—"His name shall be Jesus because He shall save my people from all iniquity." (back page this section)

## SEASON'S GREETINGS

May your Christmas be all that is perfect,  
With the greatest of joy in store,  
Until this New Year is the old year  
And it's Christmas time once more!

A Christmas wish for your happiness,  
With a loving thought you'll remember,  
May ever growing good be yours  
Until this time next December!

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#### Marriages

Thomas Joanna E. Bishop and Mrs. Audrey Jones.  
William Robert Timkey and Isidra Garcia.

#### Deeds

J. B. Smith et ux to Cameron Roofing Company, lot 3 in block 2 of the J. B. Smith Addition to Rockdale, in the William Allen survey, \$425.

Mrs. M. L. Burnett to Mrs. Ruth D. Fussell, lots 1 and 5 inclusive, of block 84 of the Burnett Addition to town of Milano, \$110.

R. P. Zelisko et ux, to R. A. Zelisko et ux, 80 70-100 acres of the J. A. De Pena 11 league grant, \$10 and other valuable considerations.

R. A. Zelisko et ux, to R. F. Zelisko et ux, one-half interest in 180 3-10 acres of the J. A. De Pena grant, \$10 and other valuable considerations.

Robert Blocker et ux, to E. L. Rutherford, a certain tract of land in the W. W. Lewis league in the City of Cameron \$4,500.

John A. Smith et ux, to O. C. Corbell, all of lots Nos. 6 and 7 of block No. 8 in town of Gause, \$440.

Mrs. Annie Walzell et vir, to John A. Richer, 36 acres of the Sarah Wilhelm grant \$1,800.

Arbin McCullough et ux, to Jesse Thompson, et ux, lots Nos. 15, 16 and 17 of block No. 34 in west Cameron \$1,050.

Alma Sapp et vir, to Ida Coldiron, part of lot No. 7 in block No. 111 in City of Rockdale, \$300.

Margaret Haydin Cox et al, to W. F. Sharp, 75 acres of the M. Davilla grant, \$1,000.

#### New Cars

Delfin Schiller, Ford Tudor.

L. B. Floyd, Plymouth Suburban.  
D. D. Shaw, Ford Express.  
Mrs. Birdie Nelson, Dodge 4-door Sedan.

Bax W. Schlotter, Chevrolet Special Coupe.

Val Nemece, Ford Custom 4-door.  
Willard Chapman, Ford Del. 2-door.  
Black Bridge Farm, Willys Pickup.

Edward A. Jaska, Dodge 4-door Sedan.

A. B. Johnson, Dodge 4-door Sedan.  
Sam Jones, Chevrolet 2-door.

Chas. E. Moody, Buick Sedanet.  
M. A. Janca, Plymouth Special Club Coupe.

H. B. Glass, Ford 4-door.  
Community Public Service Co., Ford Pickup.

Magnolia Pipe Line Co., Ford Pickup.

J. D. Turney, Ford Pickup.  
Wilder K. Graham, Chevrolet Pickup.

W. O. Johnson, Dodge 4-door Sedan.

John H. Pricer, Ford Pickup.  
J. B. Smith, Plymouth Fordor.

D. C. Luckey, Ford Fordor.  
C. L. Dawson, Ford Tudor.

Crawford C. Jackson, Chevrolet 2-door Sedan.

Mr. and Mrs. Giles L. Avriett and daughter, Miss Dor Marie Avriett of Austin, were in Cameron Sunday to visit Miss Myrtle Avriett, Mrs. Lucille McDermott, Mrs. W. O. Triggs and other relatives. They returned home late Sunday. Recently they enjoyed a visit from their son, Maj. Giles C. Avriett, from Washington.

Maj. Avriett, veteran of World War I, pilot of a B-17 bomber, returned to the service following the war and has been assigned to duty in Washington.

Joe Zajicek of Buckholts was a Cameron visitor recently.



**Merry Christmas 1949**

We who visit you all year around through these columns may pass this season partially unnoticed in favor of kin and friends seen or heard from only at Christmas.

It is but fitting that loved ones gather with you upon the day of Jesus' birth and that those far away who cannot come receive special remembrance. We can bear your forgetting us for a little while for this cheer-faden reason.

We wish to take advantage of the congregation of your friends and family members from other neighborhoods to extend, by them through you, a heaping measure of yuletide good will to every nook and corner of America.

Our first interest is this community, but its welfare is interlaced with the good of other communities. This city and county have a just store of the Christian and humane spirit that sustains man through daily life. They have enough left over for export.

Think how many distant hearts you may fill with a joyous holiday feeling if you give unto your Christmas guests to carry back to their home towns this, our special wish:

#### Firefighter Suit Resists Heat High as 2,000 Degrees

NEW YORK — A suit which will enable you to walk into a raging fire and live there comfortably more than two minutes has been shown to the Aero medical association by laboratory doctors from Wright Field, Ohio. The suit was designed for rescue work in the blazing gasoline of wrecked airplanes.

The suit withstands heat as high as 2,000 degrees fahrenheit for up to three minutes. Then you come out to cool the suit. It has 18 layers which pile up to a thickness of about half an inch.

The first two layers are fiber glass, which is as white as driven snow. The whiteness reflects away some of the heat. The third layer is silver foil. The burnished silver also reflects the heat. The metal won't melt even at 2,000 degrees.

Then follow layers of glass cloth, in zones of three to four each, interspersed with aluminum foil. Layer 17 is coal black fiber glass coated with neoprene. Black absorbs heat. This layer close to the skin absorbs the heat from your body.

The medical men say a man can remain comfortable in this suit for more than two hours during a heat wave in the nineties. This seems to be a tip for manufacturers of hot weather clothes.

The final inner layer is nylon, not for heat resistance, but to make it easy to slide into with fire regulation speed.

#### London Shoe-Shiner Happy With Freedom Job Allows

LONDON—The grandson of the keeper of the crown jewels in the Tower of London laid down his brushes and wiped the shoe polish off his hands.

"This is the life I've always dreamed of," he said, "pocketing the sixpence (20 cents) he collected from his last customer. 'I have never had more friends, and, what's more, I don't have a boss.'"

At 55, Vivian de Gurr St. George, descendant of a distinguished British military family, renewed his license last week and returned to his shoe shine pitch near Marble Arch, in the heart of London. There for the past five years he has done a regular and lucrative business, cleaning the shoes of such eminent patrons as George Winant, late United States ambassador in Britain, and most of the staffs of the United States, French and South American embassies in London.

The Chinese ambassador once presented him with a golden pin which St. George keeps stuck in his cap.

"It's supposed to fetch luck," he explains, "and though I am not superstitious I must say I have had nothing to complain about since I became a shoe shiner."

St. George is also an official interpreter and information guide.

Before Vivian de Gurr St. George settled down in his present vocation and became the most popular shoe shine "boy" in London, he led a roving life on sea and land.

In one way or another he participated in almost every civil war, from the Mexican revolution (he still holds a regular commission in the Mexican army) to the Spanish civil war, in which he served as a machine gun officer in the International brigade.

#### FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

There will be only one service at the First Methodist Church Sunday, December 25. This will be at the regular time of 10:55 a. m. The pastor's brother, Rev. A. D. Lemons, will bring the message at that time. There will be no Church School.

Leroy Stalmach of Buckholts is a patient in Newton Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Franklin Dusek visited relatives and friends in Waco a few days the past week.

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**Merry Christmas**

Each passing year brings greater pride in the friendly contacts and pleasant relations we enjoy during the course of business. That is why it is a pleasure at this Holiday time to express to you our appreciation and to wish you all the happiness of Christmas and a prosperous, successful New Year.

**W. C. PEMBERTON**  
O. K. RUBBER WELDING



# Society in the News

## Business Women Here Hold Christmas Party And Banquet Dec. 12

The Cameron Business and Professional Women's Club held its annual Christmas banquet and party December 12, in the B&PW Club rooms.

The U-Shaped banquet tables were decorated with beautiful pieces arranged by Mrs. Jack Higginbotham and Mrs. Lester Glass, carrying out the Christmas motif. Mrs. K. Robbins returned Thanks after which dinner, consisting of turkey and all the trimmings was served to twenty-eight members and guests.

Mrs. W. J. Donovan introduced the guests. A short talk was given by Dr. J. L. Walker, who explained a plan, which is at the present time just in the process of being discussed, to secure money through various civic organizations to finance medication and needed surgical supplies for a Charity Ward in the local St. Edwards Hospital. This would be a worthy project and the B&PW Club may adopt this as their project for 1950.

Following Dr. Walker's discussion, Mrs. K. K. Robbins welcomed the guests and invited them to come in with B&PW and help with the worthwhile civic projects planned for the future. The guests and members then retired to the living room where, led by Mrs. Roy Hensley at the piano and Miss Lois Randolph, everyone participated in singing carols, around a lighted Christmas tree. A beautiful arrangement of Santa in his sleigh, reindeer and all, were on the piano. Fun was had by all when Miss Ann Stallworth distributed the gifts which turned out to be various and sundry items, brought by the members and distributed to the guests.

Those members present were: Mrs. W. J. Donovan, Miss Ann Stallworth, Mrs. K. K. Robbins, Mrs. Cora Cammer, Mrs. L. Van Perkins, Miss Mary Randolph, Mrs. James A. Brock, Mrs. J. L. Walker, Mrs. Bessie McLendon, Miss Myrtle Hinton, Mrs. Agnes Lowe, Mrs. Roy Hensley, Miss Delphia Scott, Mrs. Eula Sutherland,

and the following guests: Dr. J. L. Walker, Mrs. Bess Triggs, Mrs. Neomi Needham, Mrs. Katherine Ondrej, Miss Faye Rummel, Miss Mildred Thornton, Mrs. Minnie Nell Lewis, Mrs. Henry K. Brown, Miss Hilda Riechar, Mrs. Charline O'Donnell of Houston, Miss Lois Randolph, Mrs. Lillian Lester, Mrs. Lois Bigbee, Mrs. Roy Vaughan and Mrs. Vera Goldfarb.

## Lorena McDonald and Pvt. Fred J. Boock Married In Georgetown

In a single ring ceremony, Lorena Matula McDonald of Temple, and formerly of Cameron and Pvt. Fred J. Boock of Camp Hood were united in marriage at the home of Rev. Aubrey Russell, of First Baptist Church, Georgetown.

Attendants were close friends of the bride and groom.

The bride was attired in a teal blue dress, complimented by black and white accessories, and a corsage of red roses. For going away she wore a green suit with red accessories.

Mrs. Boock is the daughter of Mrs. Gussie Matula of Cameron and Fred Matula of Temple. She attended Yoe High school in Cameron.

The groom is the son of John Boock of Sterling, Kansas and Mrs. Ethel Gilbert of Marshall, Arkansas.

After a honeymoon trip the couple are making their home at 718 East Central Avenue in Temple.

## The Ed McGuire's Entertain Thursday

Mr. and Mrs. Ed McGuire entertained with a Christmas party for the employees of the Duke and Ayres Five and Ten Cent Store at their home Thursday evening.

The home was decorated in keeping with the yuletide season, including a glittering Christmas tree which held gifts of each guest.

A series of spirited games were enjoyed followed by a delightful refreshment course of sandwiches, cake and soft drinks.

Mr. McGuire is manager of the local Duke and Ayres store.

## Anita Archer Given Honors on Birthday Here December 10

Anita Archer was honored on Saturday, December 10 with a party celebrating her eleventh birthday. The little guests gathered at the home of the honoree's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Archer and were then carried to the theatre for an afternoon of entertainment.

Following the theatre party the group returned to Anita's home for the refreshment hour, when flash pictures were made.

The Archer home was gaily decorated with a glittering Christmas tree, red roses and yapon. The honoree's table was laid with a white damask cloth, a family heirloom. The color scheme of red, green and white was carried out. The table was centered with the beautifully decorated cake of white with red roses and green leaves, and topped with eleven candles.

Red Santa boots filled with mints were favors, and the guests were served buffet style, a course of creamed pimento cheese sandwiches, fritos, decorated individual cakes and iced Dr. Pepper. During this hour the milk bottle clothes pen game was played. Rita Reid won the prize for dropping the most pens in the bottle and was presented a bottle of Cotillion Cologne by the honoree.

The guests were as follows: Ann Knipp, Joyce Nicholson, Barbara Jo Young, Rita Reid, Dorothy Kelley, Sandra House, Carolyn Knipp, Treca Carr and Anita's aunt, Mrs. Doss Brown of Lexington and her little 15 month old daughter, Betty Suzanne who was the hit of the party. Carol Ann Sanders and Marge Horstmann were unable to attend. Also Kay Cox, who had to go to Waco for a dancing lesson. It was especially appreciated by the honoree when Kay called by to give her regrets and wish her a Happy Birthday.

Mrs. Charles Knipp and Mrs. Brown assisted the hostess in serving.

Stan Swift who is attending Hill School at Pottstown, Pa., has arrived in Cameron to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Swift. Sarah Swift, daughter of the family, attending college at Sweet Briar, Virginia, is due to arrive this week for the Christmas holidays.

## SPOOK SWEEPERS

## Ghost Tales Haunt House

WASHINGTON, D. C. — James Cypress, 64-year old custodian of the most famous haunted house in the land, should lay claim to the title of "one of the bravest men in the world." He and Carrie, his wife, who is about the same age, sweep out the spooks in what is known as the octagon house, where President James Madison and his wife, Dolly, found a roof after the British burned the White House in 1814.

James is old now, and tired. He's lived in the house for more than a quarter-century.

"Golly," he said, "I don't hear any creaking doors or strange noises. Of course, that is what they talk about. There is the woman who fell over a black cat and was killed when she tumbled over the circular stairwell."

**Saw Black Cats**  
James once saw a couple of black cats around the place and didn't mind it too much. He also recalled that once when his wife was sick he called a doctor to the loft where they live. The doctor saw some strange shadows.

Must not have been much to it, though, for the next time the Cypress family needed the doctor he came on the double.

For almost half a century now the building has been occupied by the American Institute of Architects.

Except the Cypresses' living quarters, most of the building contains offices now.

It's a red brick building and isn't eight-sided at all, but six-sided. The library of congress, which is supposed to know everything, doesn't know how the house got its name of octagon.

The first person who ever lived there was Col. John Taylor, a wealthy plantation owner and a friend of George Washington. It is one building in the world which could, if it wishes, honestly put out a sign "George Washington Slept Here," but doesn't.

**Touch of Tragedy**  
There was a touch of tragedy from the first. A daughter of the colonel fell in love with a Britisher, fluffed him, and he committed suicide in the house.

After the treaty which ended the War of 1812 was signed, Washington society kicked up a fancy heel in the old building until 1821.

During some uncertain times, there was an underground passage between the octagon house and the White House. That now is plugged up.

During the Civil War, the building was confiscated by the government and turned into a hospital for wounded Yankee soldiers. At another time, it served as a Catholic school for girls.

## Homemakers Class At Baptist Church Hold Xmas Party

Homemakers Class of the First Baptist Church had their annual Christmas party Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. C. B. Ford, president of the class.

Mrs. Fanning brought the Christmas story. Mrs. Ford directed several spirited games.

The home was beautifully decorated in Christmas colors and candle lighted.

Mrs. Ford was assisted by Mrs. Gene Smith in serving a plate with sandwiches, cake, candy and drink which was enjoyed by fifteen ladies.

## Eighth Graders Are Entertained Here

Miss Bobbie Jean McCown and Ben Hubert entertained the pupils of the two eighth grade classes of Ada Henderson with a play party in the Club rooms of the Milam Coffee Shop Friday evening, December 9.

Festive Christmas decorations were used in the decorations of the rooms. A Christmas scene was made for the centerpiece of the table.

Refreshments of sandwiches, pickles, angel food squares and bottle drinks were served.

The host and hostess were assisted by Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Hubert and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. McCown in entertaining and serving.

A novelty hat was presented to each present.

## Garden Club Hears Temple Woman Talk On Xmas Decorations

The Cameron Garden Club met Thursday morning at 9:15, at the home of the hostess, Mrs. Fred Reno, with Mrs. J. C. Martin and Mrs. Charles McDermott as co-hostesses.

Mrs. M. T. Noy of Temple, guest speaker who used as her subject, "Let Your Home Say, Merry Christmas" was introduced by Mrs. Leland Derson. Mrs. Ney gave a beautiful demonstration on Christmas decorations, which was followed by a coffee given in her honor. Mrs. Charles McDermott poured coffee.

Each guest presented Mrs. Ney with a Christmas package. Mrs. Harrison of Temple was also a visiting guest.

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## MERCHANTS REPORT SALES VOLUME UP

Business was good in Cameron.

Merchants reported sales volumes up due to the Christmas week buying.

The return of good weather was a boon to merchandising. Whether Cameron will set a volume record was not ascertained but it was fairly certain that the volume will be large.

Five days remained for Christmas shopping. The stores in Cameron are as well stocked as at any time during recent years and gift goods from toys to the more substantial items are in evidence everywhere.

Stores were well crowded Monday and again Tuesday. Sunshine brought out many later in the day Tuesday.

If good weather prevails the 1949 business volume should be as good as in any previous year. Early shopping is advised ever at this late date, Saturday is Christmas Eve and

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if buying follows the usual pattern this day will be the biggest merchandising day of the season.

Merchants, clerks and all store personnel are awaiting your visit to the store.



THE MILAM THEATRE  
FRIDAY AND SATURDAY  
December 23 and 24



TO OUR LOYAL FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS

To our old friends . . . our new friends . . . and our many friends to be, we send our good wishes and the pledge of continued, faithful service.

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CAMERON, TEXAS



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Include a visit to SkeeziX during the Holidays  
Come and Celebrate with us the advent of the New Year

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Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

January 1, 2, 3 and 4

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SANTA CLAUS: Here are two striking photos taken by Dee's Studio during the recent Santa Claus Parade in Cameron on December 2. In the upper picture, taken at the corner of West Main and South Houston Avenue, are shown the Caldwell High School Band, guest musicians for the day, a portion of the crowd that lined the streets and to the right Citizens National Bank building. In the lower picture is a scene enacted in City Park following the parade with children and grown ups clustered about Santa Claus. In the center, very white, Santa can be seen, holding a small child. In the foreground are seen negro children their shining faces in bold contrast to that of the whites, all eagerly awaiting gifts from Santa.

Will Dittmar of Buckholts was in Cameron visiting one day this week.

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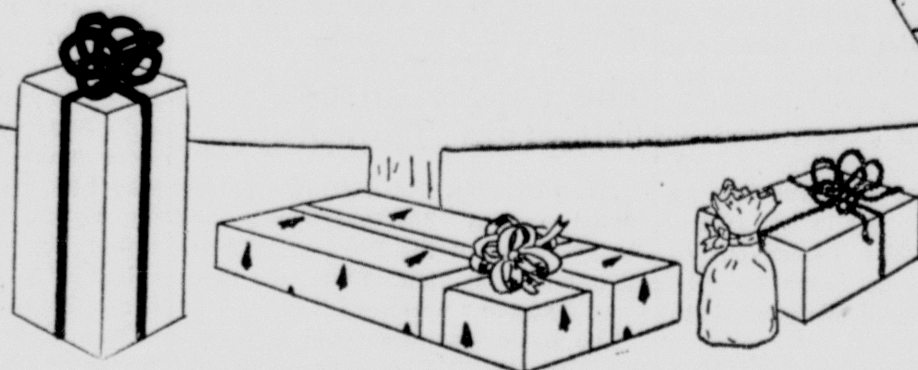
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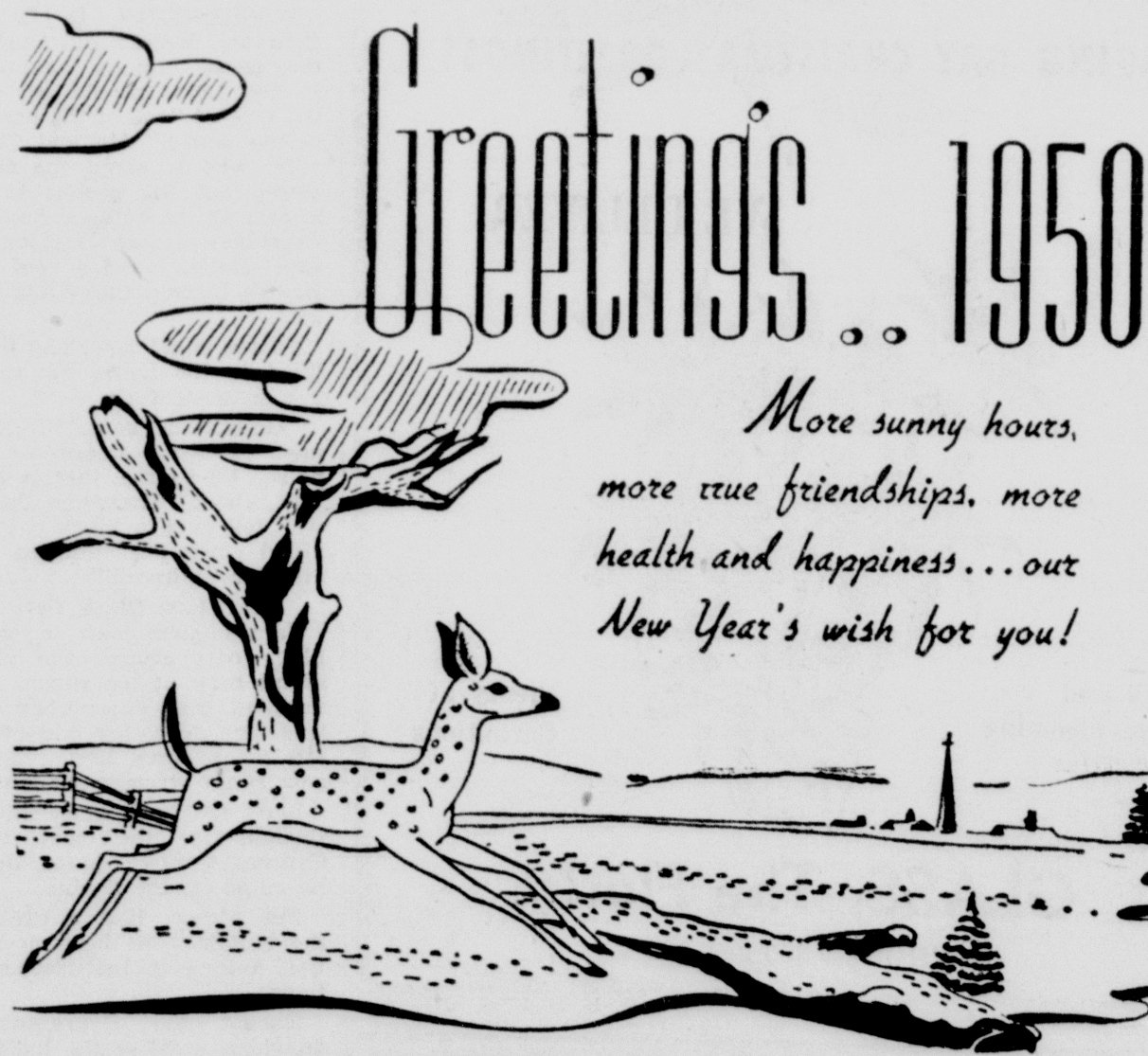
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And a word of thanks for the nice patronage afforded us this past twelve months. It has been a pleasure to serve you and we look forward to many more years of friendships with all of you.



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More sunny hours,  
more true friendships, more  
health and happiness... our  
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A **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

AND A MERRY CHRISTMAS TOO!

**FRED LAZEK**

Southern Select Beer



## WARM WEATHER IS CHRISTMAS PROSPECT

Warm weather was in prospect for Christmas although it was said that a cold front may move into the upper Texas panhandle by late Tuesday but with no appreciable effect on central Texas weather.

Heavy fog shrouded Texas, especially along the Gulf coast. In Houston the worst fog blanket in history had the city at a stand still and many traffic accidents were reported.

Several deaths were reported over the state.

There was some prospect that the

weather would clear up by Tuesday but clouds would return.

The state was clear of rain for the first time in several days. One thing was certain—there will be no White Christmas, here.

At this stage of the weather it was not possible to predict what would happen but warm and moderate weather would prevail if there are no sudden changes.

It will be neither hot or cold. Chances were on the side of a cool norther to clear up the skies.

Mrs. M. E. Armstrong has returned home after being ill and in St. Edwards Hospital for treatment.

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### NOAH'S ARK

## Many Getting Search Fever

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—Once again the "Noah's ark fever" as it is called in eastern Turkey has been rising in the hearts of Bible students. For nearly 25 centuries eager explorers have been scaling the "dome of eternal ice," of Great Ararat mountain in the hope of finding Noah's homemade craft.

Many have talked about seeing the ark, but who has seen it? About 500 years before Jesus, a priest of Mesopotamia, Berossus by name, declared that he had heard of men climbing up the ark and scraping off its pitch coating to be used for medicines and charms. The ark was designed to be 300 cubits long (439½ feet), so it required a good deal of caulking material. It is regrettable that those early hunters could not have brought down a little piece of the wooden hull so that its gopherwood could have been identified. No one knows what gopherwood is.

### Seek More Data

Right now several Bible students and amateur scientists are seeking more explicit information. These men arrived in Turkey and announced they were heading for the frigid Ararat summits despite the frowns of the Soviet neighbors. The Ararat peaks, known as "Great" and "Little," are far in an eastern corner of Turkey where Iran and Soviet Armenia came together. The Russians fear that the explorers merely want to take a peak over the iron curtain.

"It is quite enough to look at a map to understand the real meaning of the biblical amusements of these Anglo-American imperialists," the Moscow newspaper Pravda asserted recently. "The true purposes of such an expedition are as far from archaeology as Egerton Sykes is from Great Grandfather Noah."

### Turks Unimpressed

Sykes, a leader of the present expedition, is a white-haired, rough and ready amateur of the sciences. He was a British diplomat courier during the war and was caught in the German invasion of Poland. After the war he looked for the fabled lost continent of Atlantis. He believes that the flood which Noah survived may have been part of "a vast cosmic disaster" that brought death to the lost continent. He is the more convinced because he has found some 600 flood legends in the lores of many nations.

A year ago the search for Noah's ark was spurred by new tales from the Ararat hills. A farmer told his neighbors that he had seen a ship's prow protruding from a canyon of ice and snow. Because of the unusually warm summer of 1948, he explained, there was a greater melting than at any other time in memory, and therefore the strange object was partly revealed. Other peasants climbed the mountain and saw the prow, it was said, but none of them had cameras to record the sight. Then the snows came and buried the ship again. The Ararat summit is snow covered the year around, and is only accessible during a few weeks of August and September.

## 1,000 Women Serve As Test Subjects For Cosmetic Shop

NEW YORK.—More than a thousand women—from teen-agers to septuagenarians, are voluntary guinea pigs for a cosmetic testing laboratory here.

The women live in a strange half-and-half beauty world of their own. If a home permanent is being tested, only half a head gets the permanent. The other half may get a rival permanent, or is left untouched as a way of making comparisons. The same is true of shampoos.

A depilatory being investigated is applied to one leg. The other remains untouched as a control. In a like manner, creams, makeup, deodorants, skin preparations and other cosmetics are compared. All are nationally distributed products, whose names you'd recognize instantly.

None of the women mind being guinea pigs, says S. F. Coneybear, an official of the Evans research and development corp. After all, he points out, you can't tell by looking at them. And they get valuable beauty shop treatments at the hands of skilled operators. In a given period a woman gets six to eight shampoos, a permanent wave and the finest materials administered by skilled operators.

The purpose of the laboratory, Coneybear says, is to evaluate a cosmetic long before it is placed on sale. Answers to these questions are sought: Is it safe? Is it efficient? Has it esthetic appeal?

To obtain this information hundreds of women have been offering the use of their scalps, faces, arms and legs since 1922, when the service was begun. Recruiting has been no problem at all, strange as it may seem. Word of mouth alone has provided volunteers in sufficient numbers.

## JOHN W. CARPENTER HEADS DALLAS C OF C

John W. Carpenter, a man who has been "building Texas" for forty years, Friday was elected president of the Dallas Chamber of Commerce.

Carpenter, chairman of the board of the Texas Power & Light Company, succeeds D. A. Huley, who has served as president for three years. Two new vice-presidents were elected and three present officers were re-elected, all to serve 1-year terms beginning Jan. 1.

P. K. (Jack) Garrett, president of the Texas Bank & Trust Company, and Robert J. Smith, president of Pioneer Airlines, were both named vice-presidents.

Re-elected as a vice-president was Edgar L. Flippen, president of the First National Bank. J. B. Adoue Jr., president of the National Bank of Commerce and past president of the chamber, was re-elected treasurer.

George Waverley Briggs, another former chamber president and a director of the First National Bank, was re-elected national councilor.

Carpenter has been chairman of the chamber's Trinity River committee for several years. He has been a leader in the Trinity River improvement program.

A notable contribution to the Texas industrial scene was his work toward proving that East Texas iron ore was of high enough quality to make pig iron. This work paved the way for the building of Lone Star Steel Company at Daingerfield.

Carpenter is on the steel company's board of directors as well as the boards of several other Texas and Dallas businesses. He is a farming man and a leader in chemistry.

At the January meeting, re-election of J. Ben Critz, a vice-president and general manager, will be brought up. Huley, as a past president, will become an ex-officio member of the board of directors.

## Mrs. Y. Pierce Died In San Saba Monday

Mrs. Y. Pierce, died at her home in San Saba early Monday morning, December 19.

Mrs. Pierce was the mother of Misses Gladys and Abie Pierce of Cameron.

Announcement of the death of Mrs. Pierce was telephoned to Cameron early Monday to Mrs. George McGehee by Miss Gladys who was with her mother when the end came. Funeral services were to be held sometime Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Prokisch of Cameron are the happy parents of a son born December 14, 1949 at St. Edwards Hospital. The baby weighed six pounds and 13 ounces.

Edwin E. Smith left the first of the week for Houston where he will be employed.

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We are looking forward to serving you again in 1950.

May every good thing be yours at Christmas time and in the New Year.

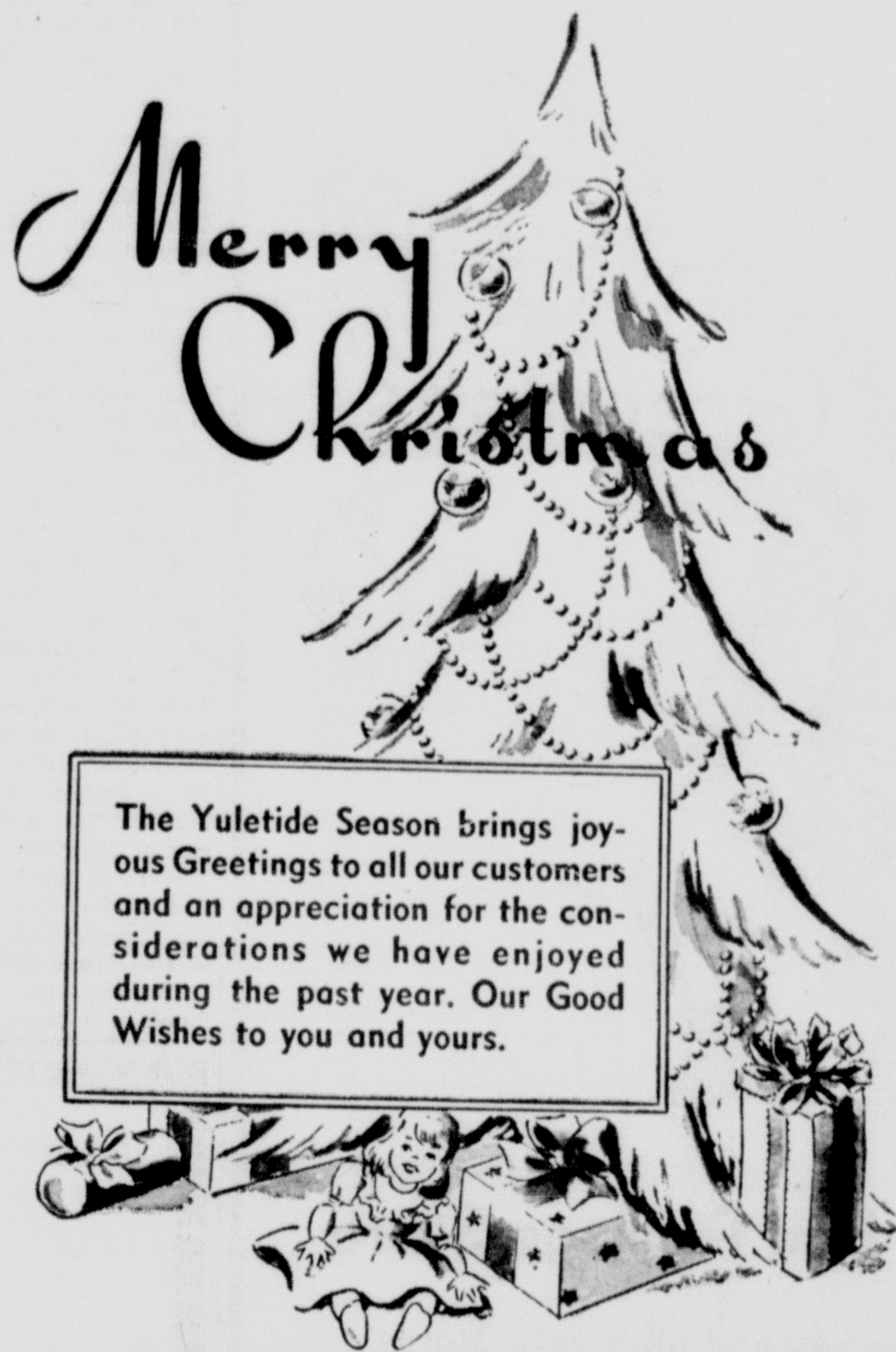
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**Merry Christmas**



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## HIGHER PRICES SEEN FOR NEW AUTOMOBILES

United States Steel Corporation Thursday announced an increase in the price of steel of around \$4 per ton and immediately this was seen as a certain cue for price advances in automobiles, home appliances and other things like refrigerators.

The hike in steel prices was made as the result of recent concessions to the CIO steel workers in pensions and wage increases.

In the main the burden will fall upon the unorganized mass of American consumers.

Further increases in costs of finished products were certain to occur as new wage demands were to be made later by the unions.

The announcement that steel prices were advanced brought a flurry from

investigation minded congressmen and senators in Washington.

The statement by President Benjamin F. Fairless of United States Steel was forthright. He placed the blame on increased costs of production. Any future rise in the price of raw products will be paid for by Mr. and Mrs. John Q. Public when they buy a refrigerator, car or a new plow.

Some car manufacturers had announced lower prices for 1950 cars but may now have to call a halt. The price increase of \$4.00 per ton was significant and considered heavy for a periodical hike.

People swear that Superstition Mountain in California goes into motion when the wind blows—the illusion is created because the solitary promontory, a solid core of rock, is covered with shifting sand.

Miss Jane Stedman, student at Baylor University is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Stedman.

## PERRYTON BAKERY EMPLOYEE IS HELD

PERRYTON, Dec. 16 — Charges were filed here today against Lloyd Edwin Roberts, a handsome, 24-year old man charged with stealing \$150,000 in jewelry.

Roberts tonight was en route from Dallas to Perryton in the company of officers. He was arrested in Dallas yesterday. The jewelry stolen from a Perryton drug store, Dec. 7, has been recovered. It was the biggest jewelry theft in the history of the Texas Panhandle.

Tomorrow, Roberts will have a hearing before Justice of the Peace Dewey Allen. Burglary and theft charges were filed against Roberts in Allen's court today.

Additional charges of aiding and abetting Roberts in concealing the jewels were filed today against Margaret Zunnell, a 35-year-old Perryton waitress. She was arrested last night and today was held at the Stinnett jail. The jail here has no facilities for women.

Last night Roberts led officers to \$50,000 in jewels in a suitcase, buried near the Dallas-Ellis county line.

He told them where he had concealed more—seven miles south of Perryton, on a farm.

Officers arrested the Zunnell woman last night. She accompanied them to the spot near Perryton, Deputy Sheriff Clyde Tarbox said. In a culvert, near a hog pen, officers found the jewels—\$100,000 worth—mostly mounted diamonds.

The valuables were still in sample cases which had been left overnight in the Perryton drug store. The cases belonged to John W. Sims of the Tynes company of Dallas and Henry A. Maas of the A. Edwards Fisher company of New York.

Roberts, formerly of Dallas, worked in a Perryton bakery. He is accused of taking the jewels last Wednesday, between midnight and 6 a. m.

He worked at his job Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Saturday was his day off. He left his job and came to Dallas. He was arrested in Dallas yesterday by Dallas county deputy sheriffs and Sheriff Ray Phagan of Perryton, Ochiltree county.

T. L. Holland, a Pinkerton detective, was credited here with leading the investigation and doing a great deal to break the case.

The big clue was a white shirt found in a trash can in the rear of



Eleven choices of colors combined with new interior styling are featured in the 1950 Ford Custom Deluxe Club Coupe and other models just introduced by Ford dealers throughout the nation. Ford Division has accomplished greater comfort, safety and economy as well as improved beauty of styling in its 1950 models.

### Ark

Search Is Abandoned

DOGUBAYAZIDI, TURKEY.—The hunt for Noah's Ark by an American expedition has been abandoned. The search was called off after 12 days of fruitless search on Mount Ararat.

But, Dr. Aaron J. Smith, retired missionary from Greensboro, N.C., who led the search, thinks the wooden ark which the Bible says rode out the great flood, is still hidden somewhere on the rocky, three-mile-high mountain.

"We have cleared the way for future expeditions," Dr. Smith declared. "We expect other missions to complete the job we have begun."

Smith headed a group of five Americans who were escorted by Turkish soldiers over crags and through drifts of volcanic ash. The others were Walter Wood, Sea Cliff (N.Y.) development engineer; Wendell Ogg, Knoxville (Tenn.) physicist; E. J. Newton, Colfax (N.C.) interior decorator, and this correspondent.

Every part of Mount Ararat was searched, including the five mile plateau extending between the main mountain and small Ararat peak.

the Odell Implement Co. building. Also in the trash can were two jewelry boxes, identified as a part of the loot.

### J. C. Penney Co. Slates Big Week Pre-Xmas Selling

This week will big doings at the J. C. Penney Company store in Cameron.

Roger Maddox slates a day to day buying opportunity schedule and you can read about it in The Daily Midget.

The store is a colorful Christmas shopping center but the big news is the clearance prices on many items, as may be seen by to-day's issue of The Midget.

Low prices are the compelling factors in these buying days ahead this week at the big new store.

### Negro Slashed In Attack By Woman

Tom Roseman, negro of Maysfield, was released from St. Edwards Hospital late Saturday night after medical attention for wounds sustained when he was attacked by a negro woman, Gertrude Mitchell.

Roseman was slashed across the breast and shoulder and was rushed to the hospital for treatment. The woman was charged with simple assault.

Captain and Mrs. Cuthrel Heath visited relatives here a few days and will leave for California. He is with the U. S. Army and stationed in Kansas City, Mo.



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We wish to thank our many friends who visited our  
place in 1949 and all who will visit our place in 1950 for  
better foods.

STAR LITE CLUB



## New Hunting Laws Have Teeth; Aimed At Sportsman

If you're one of those hunters or fishermen accustomed to treating other people's land like it was your own, you'll find that habit a bit expensive.

That was the warning of the Texas Game, Fish and Oyster Commission today as it pointed out that the 51st legislature passed a new trespass law.

For first offenders, the maximum fine remains at \$200 and forfeiture of license for one year, the same as for all offenders under the old law.

But second offenders are faced with a fine of not less than \$500 nor more than \$1,000 plus forfeiture of license for two years.

And for repeaters with more than two convictions, the going really

gets rough; Not less than 30 days in jail and a fine of from \$500 to \$1,000 plus forfeiture of license for three years.

The new law also applies to everybody's land, whereas the old law didn't give protection to landowners who leased their land for more than four dollars per day or 25 cents an acre per year. That provision no longer holds, and the penalties hold regardless of lease charges.

The revised law declares that it is illegal to enter upon the inclosed land of another person without consent to hunt with firearms or to fish from any pond, lake, tank or stream, or just to camp out. Inclosed lands are any lands used for agriculture or grazing or for any other purpose which are inclosed by any structure or fencing. Fencing also can be considered to be any water or stream, canyon, brush, rocks, bluffs or islands denoting boundaries.

Arrests for trespass can be made by any game warden or by any peace officer without warrant, the law declares.

## NORTH AFRICA

### Old Legends Playing Out

ALGIERS, Algeria.—North Africa is getting pretty tired of the old "thousand-and-one-nights" stuff. In fact, it's rather well played out in the territory.

For instance, there's hardly a harem left. Only a very rich pasha could afford one, and few can afford even more than one wife. And there aren't as many rich pashas these days as there used to be.

The blank walled, twisting streets of Arab cities still hide a private world of oriental charm, but the war, and the GI invasion left their marks.

The women are less tightly veiled than they used to be, at least in the bigger towns. Although most Moroccan women still show no more than one mascaraed eye and a henna tipped finger, Algeria has taken off the wraps. Advanced women in Algiers now wear dinky transparent veils, sometimes sewn with sequins. They use American nail varnish, carry smart Paris handbags and cram their feet into latest high heeled shoes. Some wear no veils at all.

#### Sun Glasses Popular

In the crowded markets, you can buy all kinds of relics of the war from a neat WAC uniform of summer tans to an old gray-green Italian uniform with a big "P.W." stamped across the back. Old post exchange supplies, from candy bars to shaving lotion, are on sale.

U.S. army type sun glasses are general wear for the smart set. Some women wear them over their veils, which gives a weird man from Mars effect.

Surplus jeeps and battered German army volksvagens help the transportation situation and khaki army tents ease the housing problem. Old army stocks of DDT are sprayed twice a year on the sprawling, teeming slums made of old gas cans, grocery boxes and corrugated iron on the outskirts of the cities.

Police evacuate everyone during the twice yearly spraying, but the Arabs can't get used to it. They just can't understand what all the fuss is about.

#### Furniture Modern

Odd pieces of modern furniture give a bizarre effect among the piled cushions and divans of wealthier homes. A radio or a sewing machine seems a definite sign of social standing.

Movies and American soft drinks are all the rage among the younger generation.

Most popular movies are those from Egypt. Most are romantic musicals and almost always feature a night club scene and a singer. The Arabs go to them again and again to hear the music. To the women of French north Africa, the unveiled Egyptian women of the movies represent the very height of elegance.

After the Egyptian musicals, Hollywood westerns are the most popular. Lavish oriental productions such as "Ali Baba" and "The Thief of Bagdad" still draw big crowds, but few Arabs understand French.

#### Thieves Waste Efforts Stealing Vault Mechanism

FOND DU LAC, Wis.—A thief and his two accomplices stole a cash box from a parked railway express agency truck here, but instead of money, the box contained only a bank vault mechanism valued at \$1,000.

According to police the theft occurred while the driver of the truck was delivering a package to a sporting goods store.

The thief jumped into the truck, lifted the heavy cash box onto a hand car and wheeled it down an alley where two companions waited. The trio sped away in a late model green sedan after the driver of another express truck stopped to question them about the hand cart which belonged to the express company.

The driver said that the men told him they were employees of the company but fled when he asked for identification.

Police and sheriff's deputies set up road blocks and broadcast a state-wide alarm.

Police Chief James Cahill said that the cash box usually contained cash and jewelry consigned to the First Fond du Lac national bank. The thieves apparently had planned the theft for several days, watching the movements of the truck and driver, Cahill said.

The driver described the men as 25 or 30 years old and wearing black caps and visors.

#### Radio-Directed Cabbies Nab 'Revenge' Robber

CHICAGO, Ill.—A horde of radio-directed taxicabs wrote failure to William Hamilton's "revenge robbery." Hamilton, 25, was fired from his job as restaurant counterman. The owner, John Franklin, said Hamilton returned and robbed him of \$90.

Police said Hamilton sprinted out of the restaurant and hailed a passing cab. Another cabby who had seen the holdup gave chase, informing his office on his two-way radio.

Thirty other cab drivers joined in pursuit and Hamilton's cab was curbed two miles away.



On behalf of Texas Power & Light Company employees, Company President W. W. Lynch (left) receives the first place safety plaque from C. E. Calder, chairman of the board of Ebasco Services Incorporated which sponsored the national contest. The presentation was made in New York earlier in December.

### Texas Power & Light Wins First Place In Safety Contest Among Major Power Cos.

First place in an industrial safety contest among a group of the major electric light and power companies throughout the United States was won by the Texas Power & Light Company, it was announced here today by Henry M. Siebman, district manager for the Company at Cameron.

The TP&L rate was 90.78 per cent below the national average of all companies and involved only 13 lost-time accidents among the more than 2600 employees who worked five and a half million hours during the contest period which ended July 1 of this year.

"It is a source of great satisfaction," Mr. Siebman said, "to know that a vital safety program has made this achievement possible. Much of the credit for this record is due to the men in our distribution and transmission systems, power plants and construction crews whose training carried them through this period with a minimum of personal hurt."

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Mud Chains  
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24 were persons not employed by the Company."

He recalled the instance in June, 1947, when TP&L lineman D. W. Smith and Nathan L. Mott restored the breathing of August J. Prein, a third lineman who was rendered unconscious when he contracted an energized 4160-volt line while working on a job in the Cameron district.

"This preparedness to cope with emergencies is the result of a sound training program by foreman and supervisors and of constant practice by the men," Mr. Siebman said.

### Thad Bailey Visits Home Folks In Cameron

Thad Bailey of Greenville, Cameron boy and son of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Bailey, is here for a few days visit with relatives.

Thad, like a great number of fine boys; left the old home town years ago and has made good. He married in Brownwood and they have a daughter, Dianne, now 8 years old.

Mrs. Bailey is visiting in Brownwood for a few days. They will be together before their return to Greenville. They plan to go back around Friday.

"The old home town don't seem the same," said Thad. "It has grown and I see many improvements in the business area." Thad is with Lone Star Gas Company, a traveling job.

Mrs. J. D. Martin is a medical patient in Newton Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Meek of Route 1, Cameron were visitors in Cameron Monday.



**Merry  
Christmas  
AND  
Happy  
New Year**

Good will to all on this earth  
so that wars shall cease.

**Henry's Dress Shop**  
HENRY LIPPMAN, Owner



**Greetings**

*A Prayer For Your Happiness*

*God bless you with new happiness*

*From His divine, unending store*

*And bring contentment to your heart*

*This Christmas Day and evermore!*

**St. Edwards  
Hospital**

Just to say  
"HELLO"  
and then



Present our best wishes  
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**Christmas  
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**CHRISTMAS GREETINGS  
TO MY**

**NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS**

May the Season's Joys come to you and yours in full  
and heaping measures and continue through the years  
to come is my sincere wish.

**A. N. GREEN**



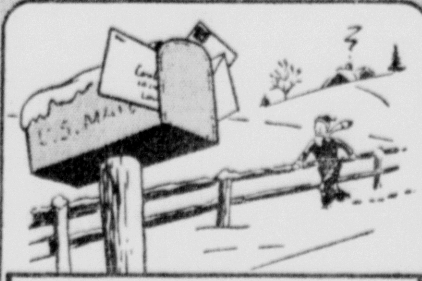
# QUESTIONS ON CHRISTMAS



1. The Swedes know kissing is fun. That's why they thought of the Christmas mistletoe. What should be done to the mistletoe for each stolen kiss? (a) remove a berry (b) do nothing (c) take off a leaf.



2. We ought to know the names of the Three Wise Men who were the first givers of Christmas gifts. They were Melchior, Balthasar and (a) Samuel (b) Casper (c) Shadrach?



3. Everyone likes to get lots of Christmas cards. When did the custom of sending them start? (a) about 1845 (b) about 1781 (c) about 1903.



4. Who first had the idea of building a small replica of a manger for the Christmas ceremony? (a) Pope Gregory (b) Piers Plowman (c) St. Francis of Assisi.



5. The Christmas tree is the heart of our Christmas decorations. Which country first used the tree as a part of holiday observance? (a) Germany (b) Norway (c) France.



6. "Silent Night, Holy Night," one of the most beloved of Christmas hymns, was written by (a) Beethoven (b) Father Joseph Mohr (c) Martin Luther?

## REV. CORKERN— (Continued from page one)

people from their sins." He was declared by Divine authority to be the Prince of Peace by a host of Angels. The Star that guided men of wisdom to Him was a Divine guidance that also pointed to Jesus as Divine. The Gospel record says, "He came to His own and His own received Him not, but to as many as did receive Him gave He the power to become Sons of God." From this statement we can not possess sonship until we have received God's Son. He was sent and the Salvation of God has been made available. It is dependent upon the individual's acceptance of Him. Have you received Him as God's gift to you. Have you accepted His atonement as your only Justification before God? That is what He came for—that you might have life and have it more abundant.

The scene of Christ's birth is one of Divine beauty so far as all the factors of divinity are concerned. But on the other hand we can see how very utterly pathetic the situation as the Savior was forced in an out house to be born. I think of all the things that have been said about Christ, the most deplorable, the most pathetic thing is—"There was no room for Him . . ." Let us stop and take inventory of our own lives and hearts. Do we really have room for Him? Is there room for Him and all our plans for this season: Are we building our plans around the great fundamental factor? He said, "Seek first the Kingdom of God and all these things shall be added unto you . . ." We should let our entire plans center in Him. There should not be a plan made without having Him at the main point.

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Let us see for instance just what some of His interests are. What He likes most? If we were giving a friend or relative a birthday party and presents that question would assuredly be asked, Well if you want to really please Him just give Him your life and your all. The life and entire love and devotion of the individual is His supreme desire.

Some things should be considered as to His concern. For one thing His church is His bride. He purchased the church with His life's blood. Where should we put His church? We should seek to magnify His church. This is His divine organization. He organized the church. It has been customary since the resurrection to meet on the first day of the week and worship Him. The Lord's day—His by right and ownership—His as a memorial to the resurrection is the first day of the week. The resurrection is our hope, glory and anticipation as Christians. It all came about through God's love and Christ's sacrifice for us. Therefore, we should seek to magnify Christ's church on Christmas day—by our attendance upon its services. Too close the church on the Lord's day is a disgrace to Him and a dishonor to His birthday—Christmas. So far as I am concerned as a Minister of Christ, and pastor of His church I am certainly going to be true to the true functions of the church on this day. Too many people are making things convenient for themselves on these matters. It is not hard to understand however, when you take a look at the substitutions that have been made as over against His divinely inspired Word.

The Word is clear on the matter of church policies, ordinances, etc, and there is no mistake about it. When a man or group of men will alter things to suit their own notions for convenience sake they are only causing chaos and confusion to those who "Would see Jesus."

Another thing that is dear and precious to the heart of Christ is His Word. We should love it—study it—follow it to the very best of our ability. It is a great thing that we have organized effort to teach His Word. I believe this is as it should be. We meet on the Lord's Day to study God's Word and hear it taught. This of all times is a mighty bad time to push this worthy matter aside—just to please our own fancy notions.

We need to be conscientious about this matter. Is there any "room for Him". . .? Are we forgetting the main point of emphasis—Christ—without Him there would be no Christmas. If we aren't careful it will not be Christmas—but only chaos and confusion. Christ is our Lord. We need to honor Him on His Birthday with a full surrender of self, and seek to do what He would have us.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Dorner of Ben Arnold will have a happy Christmas. They are the grand parents of a new son, Ronnie Eugene Prokish, born December 15 and their son Alvin Dorner and wife will come home for Christmas. They live at Haskell and have a daughter Cathie Jean. They will spend the holidays here.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Longmire visited in Rockdale Sunday.

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## A Joy No Earthly Wealth Can Give

There is an old tale which becomes apropos chiefly at the Christmas time.

An agnostic—a disbeliever in God—made this offer to a nine-year old:

"I will give you an orange if you will tell me where God is." The youngster was equal to the challenge. "I will give you two oranges," he said, "if you will tell me where He is not."

Many great men have always felt the spirituality of Christmas, and some have managed to put it into words. For instance, when Woodrow Wilson was asked to prove the greatness of Christianity, whose founder was the Christ-child, he said simply, "Try it."

Cardinal Spellman had a Christmas gift for the mind when he said:

"The joy of Christmas is a joy that war cannot kill, for it is a joy of the soul, and the soul cannot die. Poverty cannot prevent the joy of Christmas, for it is a joy no earthly wealth can give. Time cannot wither Christmas, for it belongs to eternity. The world cannot shatter it, for it is a union with Him who has overcome the world."

The late Franklin D. Roosevelt once illustrated the spirit of Christmas with this story:

"A thief broke into the home of a priest and stole his purse. That night the priest wrote in his diary: 'Let me be thankful. First because I was never robbed before. Second because although he took my purse, he never took my life. Third because although he took all I had it was not much. And fourth because it was he who stole, and not I'."



### LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a bat, a ball and a glove. Bring me a 22 rifle. Please don't forget the other children from all over the earth.

Your friend,

JESSE ESTRADA

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl ten years old. I hope you will bring me a watch and fruit. Also remember children all over the world. I thank you.

Your friend,

ELIZABETH McDERMOTT

Dear Santa:

I am in the third grade. Please bring my little brother a Ford tractor with a clock spring motor. Bring me a Ford tractor with a clock spring motor, too.

Your friend,

STANLEY JOE GLASER

Dear Santa:

I am in the third grade. I am writing this letter to tell you what we want for Christmas. My little brother wants a peddle car and a tricycle. I want a bicycle and two BB pistols. I will look for you on Christmas.

Your friend,

LAMAR WAYNE GRESAK

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl. Please bring me a coloring book and some colors. I want some nuts, candy and fruit.

Your friend,

PATRICIA HORELICA

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a pretty doll and some dishes, fruit nuts and candy. Don't forget my little sister, Gail.

Love,

WANDA JUNEK

Dear Santa Claus:

I am seven years old and in the second grade. I would like for you to bring me two cap guns and scabards, a big wagon and a little bicycle. I will be looking for you.

Love,

LEO YATES

Dear Santa Claus:

I will write you to let you know that I have been a fine little girl and I love you and I love my mother and father and my sister. I want a doll for Christmas, please.

ROSIE LEE JOHNSON

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a girl of eleven years old. I have tried to be a good girl this year. Please bring me a girls bicycle and a doll that can talk and a story book and lots of fruits, too.

Your friend,

GLORIA CABRERA

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl six years old and I go to school at Ben Arnold. Will you bring me a little telephone a doll suit case, some little coat hangers and some fruit, nuts and candy? Please bring my little brother, Donnie, a train and a tank digger. Merry Christmas, Santa Claus.

SHARON SWANZY

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy eight years old. I go to the Ben Arnold school and I am in the third grade. I would like for you to bring me a football and a pump air gun. You can also bring me some fire crackers. Thank.

Sincerely yours,

RODNEY FOLSCHINSKY

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy six years old and in the first grade. Please bring me a BB gun and lots of fruit and candy. Don't forget my teacher and all the other boys and girls.

Thank you,

DAVID BARKEMEYER

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl seven years old. I go to school at Ben Arnold. I am writing to tell you what I want for Christmas. Please bring me a doll, some fruit, nuts and candy. Will you please bring my baby sister a doll, tricycle and some fruit, nuts and candy, too.

Your friend,

PATSY RUTH GLASS and LINDA PEARL GLASS

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl twelve years old. I hope you bring me a watch and fruit. Also remember children all over the world. Thank you.

Your friend,

CARMEN DE LEON

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy nine years old. I want a tractor set. My brother wants a train. Also remember all the other children.

Your friend,

JOHN THOMAS LAWHON

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Dear Santa Claus:

I have tried to be a good boy this year. I am in the second grade and I am six years old. Please bring me a football and a car. Don't forget Rnby and Frankie.

Your friend,

WILLIE JOHN HROCHONY

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a girl eight years old. Santa will you please bring me a real piano and a drum. Some nuts, fruits and candy. Don't forget my parents and the poor children. Thank you.

Love,

MARIE ELLA ZAROSKY

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl two years old. Will you please bring me a tricycle and a pair of house shoes. Some candy and fruits, too. Don't forget my parents and the poor children. Thank you.

Love,

DOLORIS ANN ZAROSKY

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl and I was trying to be a good little girl this year. I am in the first grade. I want a doll and a dresser set and a play stove for Christmas and a story book. Don't forget my teacher, Mrs. Sam Houston and the other little boys and girls.

Your friend,

BARBARA GRAY FULLER

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl in the third grade. I am eight years old. I would like to have a piano and a house coat for Christmas. Please bring some fruit and candy too. Remember my brothers and all the other children.

Your friend,

Beverly Morgan

Dear Santa:

I am in the fourth grade. Please bring me a Bible, a purse and pen and pencil; also a compact. Please bring my brother, Buddy a tractor, trailer and steel Auto transport. Bring my sister, Patsy a rubber doll. I'll be looking for you Christmas.

Your friend,

PEGGY INGE

Dear Santa:

I would like a bath robe and a pair of house shoes and any thing else you would like for me to have. I am in the third grade at Ad Hall school. Don't forget the poor little children and the sick. Also my mother and daddy and teacher, Miss Vance. Thank you and Merry Christmas.

Your friend,

BETTY JANE GRAVENDER

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a baseball glove and a bat.

Your friend,

WESLEY PRATT

Dear Santa:

I am in the fourth grade. Please bring me a fountain pen, a ball bat, a baseball and a pair of blue jeans. My little sister wants a squeaky toy. My little brother wants a little football and a little gun. My big brother wants a big football and a big gun.

Your friend,

DAWN ALLISON

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy nine years old. I hope you will bring a bicycle and fruit. Remember my sister she wants a doll. Good luck and thank you.

Your friend,

PAUL ANDERSON

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl nine years old. I would like a baton and fruit and a bracelet. Also remember every body.

Your friend,

GAYL NELL GOOCH

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a bicycle. Please don't forget my mother and daddy and brothers. I want some fruit, nuts and candy.

Your friend,

CHARLES WILKINS

Dear Santa:

I want a baseball and a glove and watch and a shirt.

Your friend,

LEON ZALESKY

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I have been good. Please bring me a girls bicycle. Don't forget the other boys and girls. Try to make others happy. I love you.

Love,  
KATHERINE SUTCLIFF

Dear Santa:  
I am in the third grade. Please bring me a cap gun and holster.  
Your friend,  
ROBERT ALEXANDER

Dear Santa:  
I am in the third grade. I want a scotch station and fire crackers.  
Your friend,  
KENNETH JANICK

Dear Santa:  
I am in the third grade. I want a bicycle and a BB gun. My little brother wants a catapillar.  
Your friend,  
JOSEPH CHEVALIER

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Dear Santa:  
I am in the fourth grade. Please bring me a ring, a purse, bracelet, necktie and some blue jeans. My little sister wants a doll, a doll bed and some candy. I would like an Eversharp pencil, too. I will see you Christmas.  
Your friend,  
FAITH PORTER

DEAR SANTA:  
I am in the third grade. Please bring me a bicycle with a basket and light on it. And I would like to have all kinds of fireworks and a BB gun.  
Your friend,  
BARTON LENN FUCHS

Dear Santa:  
I am in the third grade. Please bring me a baseball and a bat. My little brother wants a rocking horse for Christmas.  
Your friend,  
JOHNNY SKRIBAK

Dear Santa:  
I am in the third grade. Please bring me a set of dishes, a dress and little firecrackers.  
Your friend,  
RONALD KOENIG

Dear Santa:  
I am in the third grade. Please bring me a mama doll, a bat and ball and a BB gun.  
Your friend,  
BENNETT ANN CHILDRESS

Dear Santa:  
I am in the third grade. Please bring me a pair of blue jeans, a set of dishes, a black board and a compact. This is all. I will see you Christmas.  
Your friend,  
DAWN ELLA SPANGLING

Dear Santa:  
I am in the fourth grade. Please bring me a purse, a ball point pen. I also want a compact. We will be looking for you Christmas.  
Your friend,  
CAROLEN WALK

Dear Santa:  
I am in the third grade. Will you please bring me a bicycle, a ball point, a dress and a story book. I want some candy too. I will look for you Christmas night. Don't forget the other little boys and girls.  
Your friend,  
RUTH ANN WHITTINGTON

Dear Santa:  
I am in the fourth grade. Please bring me a Red Rider BB gun, an electric Magnet dragline and a fountain pen.  
Your friend,  
WALTER JANICK

Dear Santa:  
I am in the fourth grade. Please bring me a bicycle, an air gun, a light for a bicycle and some firecrackers. I'll see you Christmas night.  
Your friend,  
CHARLES HUNDLER

Dear Santa:  
I am in the fourth grade. Please bring me a purse, and blue jeans. Bring a doll and a set of dishes for my little sister.  
Your friend,  
HARVEY ALMOND

Dear Santa:  
I go to school. I am six years old. Please bring me a cash register, a doll, a dog, a cat, a greyhound bus. I want some fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget my mother and my sister and brother.  
Your friend,  
JOHN HAY TARGEL

Dear Santa:  
I am in the fourth grade. Please bring me a purse, fountain pen, bracelet, necktie, a set of dishes and a ring. I'll see you Christmas.  
Your friend,  
MARY CHEVALIER

Dear Santa:  
I am in the third grade. Please bring me a bicycle.  
Your friend,  
JOHN D. JAMES

Dear Santa:  
I am in the fourth grade. Please bring me a purse, two pairs of blue jeans, and a pretty belt. I will see you Christmas.  
Your friend,  
GLORIA JOYCE VYERHAL

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am six years old and going to school. Will you please bring me another doll. Ellen, is still good as new, but she needs company. I would like to have a piano and Victor set too. Please remember all the other children, especially baby sister and my little cousin at Corpus Christi.  
Your little friend,  
RAY MANNING

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl seven years old. I want you to bring me a doll and a doll buggy so I can take my dolly for a ride. I want a table and chairs and some little dishes. Don't forget my little brothers.  
Your friend,  
JOANN ROZNER

Dear Santa:  
I have been a good little boy. Bring me a football and a gun and some fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget my mother and daddy.  
Your friend,  
LENWOOD RUBAC

Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy six years old. I go to school. I want a tinker toy set, train, a BB gun and a tool set. Don't forget my little brother.  
Your friend,  
TOMMY TOMASEK

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy nine years old. I hope you will bring me a bicycle for Christmas. Please do not forget all the other children.  
Truly yours,  
CARTER EVANS COLLINS



# Season's Greetings

From out each little hamlet  
And from every countryside,  
May cheer and real enjoyment  
Mark this happy Christmastide,  
And may you share completely  
In all that bounteous store,  
And may true happiness be yours  
Today and evermore.

## GLASS, The Florist



Dear Santa:  
I want a punch-in-bag and some boxing gloves.  
Your friend,  
PAUL YOUNG

Dear Santa:  
I am a good little boy and I am three years old. I want you to bring a Gun and holster and a big jeep truck. Also some candy and fruit.  
Your little friend,  
WAYNE BROWN

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a tennis racket, a basket ball, a cot, and a pup tent. Also remember my sisters and mother and dad.  
Your friend,  
CARROLL GREEN

Dear Santa:  
I want a bicycle and a ball point pen.  
Your friend,  
BILLY JEAN MATTHEWS



### LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus:  
We have been good little boys and want you to bring us some new toys. Don't forget our Grandmas and Gandpas. You can bring us a little suit case to put our clothes in when we go to Cameron. Now don't forget we live at 2509 McClendon St. Houston, 5, Texas.

With Love,  
JEFFERY, PHILIP  
AND MARK WHITE

Dear Santa:  
I want a football, a bicycle, a glove, an airgun and a bat. I want some candy, nuts and fruit.  
Your friend,  
BENARD JUNGMAN

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy ten years old. I hope you will bring me a basketball and a net, a Bo Bo clown, a disguise kit, a rubber mask, a cub scout knife and a can of tennis balls. I hope you will not forget other children in the United States.  
Your friend,  
CLIFFORD SWIFT

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl two years old and I want you to bring a doll and a tea set and a truck. Also some fruits and candy.  
Your little friend,  
JOYCE BROWN

Dear Santa:  
My mother and dad say I am a rough-neck and a bad boy but I'm not really bad, I am just another boy. I would like for you to bring me a train a stick horse, tractor and a gun. Please remember all the little boys and girls.  
Love,  
L. J. MATULA, II  
"Bubba"

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### Bringers of Gifts Range From Santa To Knight Ruppert

In America on Christmas Eve there is a merry tinkle of sleigh bells as Santa Claus drives up in a sleigh drawn by eight reindeer. He drives from roof to roof, pausing just long enough to climb down each chimney. From a huge pack on his back he fills the children's stockings with toys and goodies. Gifts that are too large to be stuffed in the stockings are put on the Christmas tree or stacked underneath it.

This is Christmas in America—but it is not always Santa who brings the gifts to children in other lands.

The Dutch children anxiously await the arrival on Christmas of St. Nicholas. He was the bishop of Myra, so he is dressed in the traditional bishop's robes of black, wears a mitre, and carries a crozier.

He rides a white horse and is accompanied by Black Peter, his page boy. Instead of hanging up their stockings to hold the gifts, the Dutch children place their wooden shoes in the chimney corner before going to bed. On the window sills they leave a bunch of hay for "Sleipner," the bishop's white horse. It is customary for St. Nicholas to overturn chairs and leave the room in general confusion for Christmas morning.

English children wait for a Santa Claus who closely resembles our own. They also find gifts tied to a green Christmas tree, but this custom has been in effect only since Queen Victoria was a young bride. She married Albert, a German prince, and it was he who introduced this Christmas custom to England from Germany.

It is an angel who leaves the gifts in Czechoslovakia. She descends on a golden chord to accompany Santa.

In Scandinavia gifts are distributed during the supper hour. They are brought by dwarfs and the children leave bowls of porridge on the doorstep for them. Santa comes riding on a goat instead of a reindeer.

The birds receive the largest number of gifts in Sweden. Each family places a sheaf of grain on a pole or on the fence posts for the birds' Christmas dinner.

Spanish children place their straw-filled sleeves on the window sills so the Magi may feed their horses while they leave gifts. The older people fill an Urn of Fate from which the gifts are drawn on Christmas Day.

Knight Ruppert, who is the German Kris Kringle, is represented by a young girl wearing a golden crown and gown in a flowing white robe. She carries a small tree laden with gifts which she distributes.

The children of Switzerland have their gifts brought to them by a radiant angel who rides in a sleigh drawn by six reindeer. She brings them goodies to eat as well as toys.

And in Poland, at least before the Communists came in, the people called at the parish house on Christmas morning where the priest presented them with "peace wafers," which symbolized peace on earth, good will to men. The people exchanged Christmas wishes as the wafers were broken and eaten before returning home.

As Americans observe this Christmas in the comfort and luxury of modern civilization, who among them will pause for a thought of how their forebears kept the holy season?

An example of Christmas of the past in America is provided in a study of the history of the old village of Kaskaskia, first capital of Illinois, where the pioneers braved the rigors of a new and unsettled world.

Despite the hardships and discomfort which prevailed in the days of the early settlers of this land, there was hardly a cabin so humble but what its occupants found some way to keep Christmas.



OLD, OLD STORY . . . If teacher could get this kind of attention as she lectures on the three R's, she'd have a room full of geniuses. She is reading the ageless Clement Moore classic "Twas the Night Before Christmas." And not a creature is stirring.

Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy six years old and I have been a good boy. I want you to bring me a Gun and holster and a big truck. Also some fruit and candy. Don't forget the other little boys and girls.  
Your friend,  
RONALD DE WITT BROWN

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a toy truck and a bicycle and some fruit. Remember the other children all over the world.  
Your friend,  
MAKE McDERMOTT

Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy ten years old. I hope you will bring me a watch and a tire for my bicycle. Also remember children all over the world. Thank you.

Your friend,  
HENRY CLORE

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a catchers mit and mask. I am nine years old. Don't forget the little children. Thank you.  
Your friend,  
RAY LYMAN GREEN

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl nine years old. I hope you will bring me a watch and an accordin. Also remember my brothers and sistefs and the children every where. Thanks.  
Your friend,  
LILLIE MAE CLOPTON

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl ten years old. Please bring me a doll and a bicycle and some fruit. Also remember all the other children.  
Your friend,  
MARY HARWELL

Dear Santa:  
I want a baseball and a glove. That is all I want.  
Your friend,  
CURTIS MORGAN

Dear Santa:  
For Christmas this year I would like for you to bring me a record player, television set, typewriter and some doll clothes. I have been a good girl. Please remember all the little boys and girls.  
Love,  
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# Weather Does About Face; Rain Sweeps State Overnight

(From the Daily)

The weather in true Texas fashion did an about face Friday night and moist air from the Gulf region had spread a blanket of rain and fog as far north as Wichita Falls.

Thunder storms occurred in the Big Spring area and rain was falling all over East Texas, especially in the Cameron area that seemed to be the center.

Fort Worth was having rain and

the temperature had shot up to 51. Cameron had 29 degrees and Saturday morning in the upper forties.

Weather forecasts said rain Sunday and if skies are to be clear there was no indication when that might occur. The barometer was falling and a new cold front may be in the making.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Cowen of Somerville are the parents of a son, Bruce Wayne born December 15, 1949 at St. Edwards Hospital.

Sheriff and Mrs. Carl Black transacted business in Houston one day the past week.

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### TEENICIDE

## Road Deaths On Uptrend

CHICAGO. — A car full of teenage boys recently drove through a red traffic light in a suburb near here and rammed their automobile at breakneck speed into the machine of an elderly couple. The innocent couple were killed instantly and all of the boys were seriously injured—some perhaps for life.

This accident typifies a new form of mass murder and self-destruction on the highways known as "teenicide."

Teenicide is violent death caused by an automobile driver under 25 years of age, usually the result of recklessness or immature judgement. Last year, teenicide figures soared to 7,500 killed and an estimated 275,000 injured. This shocking total represents 10 times more casualties than our armed forces suffered at Iwo Jima and cost the nation 600 million dollars in cold cash.

Can anything be done to reduce this slaughter? Scores of insurance agencies, automobile associations and other organizations are throwing their weight into the teenicide problem.

### Three-Way Problem

James S. Kemper, chairman of the Lumbermens mutual casualty company and a pioneer in highway safety, believes the present death and accident rate can be cut only by changing the frivolous and irresponsible attitude of youth.

"The teenicide problem must be attacked in three ways," Kemper says. "First, youngsters must be taught the technique of safe driving, preferably in schools. Second, traffic rules must be enforced and stricter license requirements established. The third approach—and most important — is that parents should not only teach good driving but set an example themselves."

Kemper points out that any teenage boy who sees his parents driving 50 miles an hour in a 40-mile zone—and getting by with it—can almost invariably be expected to drive 60 miles an hour under the same conditions from natural vitality and exuberance.

According to statistics, a car in the hands of a teen-ager is about twice as dangerous as a car driven by a mature adult. The 16-20 age group is involved in five times as many accidents as the 45-50 group; and sixteen-year-old drivers cause nine times as many accidents as the 45-50 group.

### Instruction Effective

High school instruction in safe driving has proved highly effective in reducing teenicide. But, unfortunately, only 600 out of 20,000 U. S. high schools offer this course. The American automobile association is prepared to lend staff educators who will train high-school teachers in safe driving.

In addition to pouring out tons of safety literature and advertising each year, Lumbermens helps to pay expenses for Northwestern university's traffic institute. This company also sponsored a safe-driving contest among college newspapers last fall.

The National Safety Council is directing much of its highway material toward teenicide. These organizations and many others are all eager to help solve this serious problem.

If school boards and parents would cooperate against teenicide, thousands of lives and limbs—not to mention the personal agony—could be saved.

### Air Forces Now Making Cupid's Task Easier

WASHINGTON.—The air force has made things easier for Cupid. Sometime ago an official directive stated that would-be bridegrooms in the four lowest pay ranks must obtain consent of squadron commanders before saying "I do."

The air force's position was that the lower-paid soldier—because of the shortage of service accommodations and benefits—should, among other things, prove his ability to carry the financial end of a marriage.

This caused "confusion," according to The Beam, weekly newspaper of Bolling Field air base here. It also caused a decline in weddings.

Under the new order a prospective bridegroom must write a "letter of intent" to the commander. Then the officer "counsels" the enlisted man on finances, housing, transportation, and other matters of armed-services married life. After this it's up to the couple whether they want to be married.

### Experimenter Gives Up Neckless-Chicken Try

BYRON, CALIF.—A chicken with no neck would be a bigger boon to white meat lovers than even the new wingless variety. That idea occurred to Lorenzo Armstrong when he read about wingless birds developed in the midwest.

So Armstrong built his hen houses with low roofs. Feeding troughs were breast high. The wire over the chicken runs was lowered. He figured if they kept their heads down the chickens' necks wouldn't grow.

He gave up finally. The chickens just got humpbacked.

## FUNERAL SATURDAY FOR MRS. JOE BARON HERE

(From the Daily)

Funeral services for Mrs. Joe Baron, 47, who died here at 9:15 p. m. Wednesday, December 14, were to be held at 9 a. m. Saturday, December 17 at the family residence at 304 West Main Street, followed by services at St. Monica's Catholic church at 9:15 a. m.

Father George Duda will conduct the services and interment will be made in St. Monica's Cemetery with the Marek-Burns Funeral Home directing arrangements.

Rosary Services will be held at the family residence at 304 West Main Street at 8 p. m. Friday, December 16.

Mrs. Baron was a native of Cameron, born January 27, 1902. She was the eldest daughter of the late Frank Zalesky of Buckholts who died August 28, 1929.

Mrs. Baron was the widow of the

late Joe Baron who died in August 1949.

Surviving are two daughters, Miss Lydia Baron of Cameron and Miss Frances Baron of Houston.

Surviving also are her mother, Mrs. L. M. Zalesky of Buckholts and the following brothers and sisters: Joe Zalesky of Buckholts, Anton Zalesky of Cameron, Rudolph Zalesky of Dallas; Mrs. Fred Richter, Houston; Mrs. Frank Hracek and Mrs. Johnnie Hanel of Dayton, Mrs. Rudolph Gurtz, Houston, and Mrs. Harry Rummel of Dallas.

Pall bearers will be: B. M. McMillion, Floyd Stark, Frank Mitchell, Johnnie Yungmann all of Buckholts. Johnnie Andres, Hugo Krenek and Grady Allen of Cameron, and S. E. Foster of Lake Charles, La.

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Pfannstiel of Buckholts were in Cameron Tuesday.

D. C. Gann of Buckholts made a business trip to Cameron one day the past week.

## Needy Families In Cameron Must Have Clothing

An appeal was made Friday by Mrs. Agnes Lowe, secretary for the Red Cross for used clothing and bedding for Cameron needy families.

Mrs. Lowe said there were several families here with children of various ages, including adults who need clothing and bedding.

If you have anything of this nature it will be very much appreciated if you will contact Mrs. Lowe at the Cameron Hotel and the clothing will be distributed by the Red Cross.

Mrs. Rosa Kemp Adams of Houston spent several days here this month and was accompanied home by Mrs. Jeff T. Kemp for a visit. Mrs. Kemp will return home the last of the week.

Billy and Turner Newton, sons of Dr. and Mrs. W. R. Newton, Jr. are among the patients ill in Newton Memorial Hospital.

May this Christmas bring to your fireside every joy that is dear

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We want you to know that your business is appreciated, and that we'll continue doing our utmost to deserve your patronage and good will.

May 1950 be a year of happiness and prosperity for you and yours—with each new day just a little more pleasant than the last.

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New 1950 Studebaker passenger cars await shipment from a lot near the main plant in South Bend. In response to an unprecedented demand, the automobiles are being transported by rail and haul-away as rapidly as possible. For the month of September the company attained new peaks in both production and sales. At the end of the first week in October, Studebaker's domestic dealers in 1949 had delivered at retail a greater number of passenger cars and trucks than in the full year 1948, best year in the company's history.

## TEXAS GROWERS VOTE HEAVY FOR CONTROLS

Approximately 86 percent of Texas' cotton farmers voted Thursday to approve the 1950 cotton marketing quota set up by the government.

At 10 p. m., with only nine small counties out, the state Production and Marketing administration office in College Station reported 90,275 votes for the quotas and 14,652

against. The unofficial tabulation was based on complete returns from 217 counties.

Farmers who produce within their quota will not have prices supported at 90 percent of parity by the government. Farmers who overplant will pay a penalty of one-half of the parity price on all cotton grown in excess of their quotas.

In 1942, the last year Texas farmers balloted on whether to accept cotton marketing quotas set by the

government, more than 100,000 votes were cast.

Wichita county farmers voted four to one in favor of cotton quotas, Bob Crocker, PMA administrator, said. There were 109 votes cast, 80 for and 20 against. Crocker said that represented 27 per cent of those eligible to vote.

Floyd county reported 265 for and 46 against.

In Armstrong county all 10 votes cast were in favor.

Deaf Smith got the two-thirds majority for approval by a vote of 8-4.

In McLennan county the vote for the quotas was 90.4 percent of those cast. It was described as fairly heavy. There were 1,874 votes for quotas and 198 against.

Bosque county, hard hit by acreage cutbacks, failed to return a two-thirds majority for quotas. There was 58 percent of the vote cast in favor of quotas; 42 percent against. About 30 percent of those eligible voted. The vote: for quota, 259; against quotas, 186.

Virtually complete Harrison county returns showed 827 for quotas, 92 against them.

In Midland county there were 102 votes for and six against.

Andrews county reported 21 for and five against.

Dallas county farmers accepted the quota by a vote of 622 to 138. Only 760 of the county's 2,800 farmers voted.

Callahan and Shackelford counties voted decisively against the quotas.

In Callahan the vote was 74 for and 93 against. In Shackelford the vote was 16 for and 22 against.

Taylor county voted 400 for and 144 against.

Throckmorton county approved with a vote of 94 for, 22 against.

In Scurry county the vote was 394 for and 36 against.

Fisher reported 755 for and 78 against.

Nolan county had 264 votes for and 32 against.

Lubbock county, the state's top producer of cotton and also tops in the 1950 acreage allotment program, okayed the plan 2,375 for and only 53 against. About 5,000 farmers were eligible to vote.

R. P. Price, executive officer in the PMA, said returns from one county were complete.

"Kendall county has one farmer and he voted 'yes'."

Election judges in Tarrant county reported a general lack of interest.

A survey by the Amarillo News Globe showed that the issue was confused in the 18 Panhandle-South Plains counties. Many farmers thought they were voting on acreage allotments and others on the whole government farm program.

Possibly half of the 6,000 eligible farm voters in Navarro county voted, Production and Marketing administration Secretary Robert Clique said.

A marketing quota is the cotton produced on the acreage allotted to a farm.

## We Had 29 Degrees Friday Morning; Coldest of Year

Cameron had 29 degree temperature Friday morning, it was disclosed by L. W. Smith of the Community Public Service Company, local government weather observer.

It was the coldest weather of the year and the first killing frost of the season.

It will be warmer by Saturday but cold again Friday night. The temperature should be in the low thirties Saturday morning.

Over the state generally temperatures were rising and clouds were reported in West Texas skies but no rain.

## 1608 Registrants In Milam County

A total of 13,177 men of draft age were classified and 4,843 18-year olds were registered by the state's 137 draft boards during November, consolidation of their monthly reports revealed here today.

Local Board No. 92, Milam County, reports a total of 1608 registrants, of which 198 are 18 years of age. 1303 have been classified. 239 men

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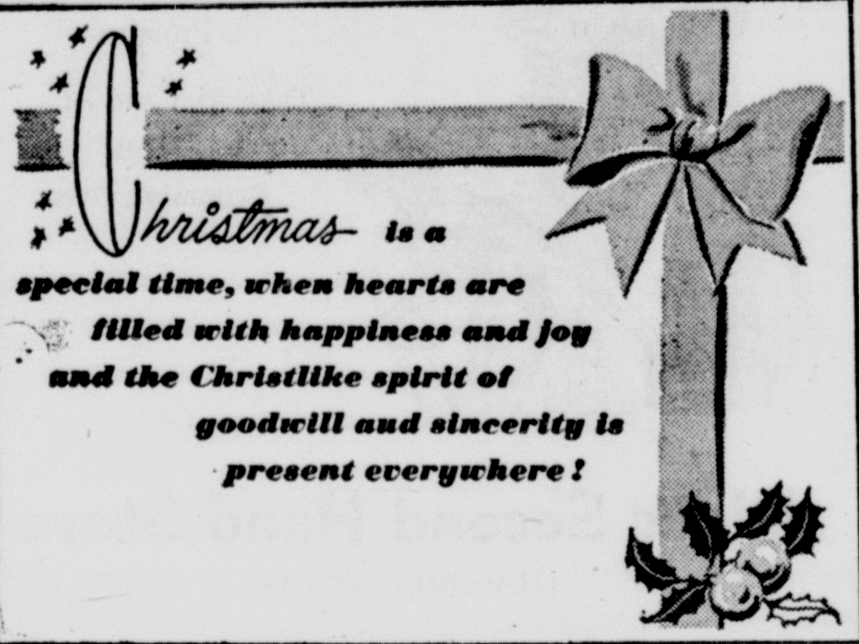
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have been placed in I-A and are available for induction, if necessary.

F. G. Blake is Chairman of Local Board No. 92 with Aug. G. Kunz as co-Chairman and Grover C. York of Rockdale as Secretary. Registrars in Milam County are, Judge Ed Gunn, Cameron; Norman Clement, Thordale; John P. O'Neill, Burlington; Floyd Stark, Buckholts; Lon M. Peeples, Milano.



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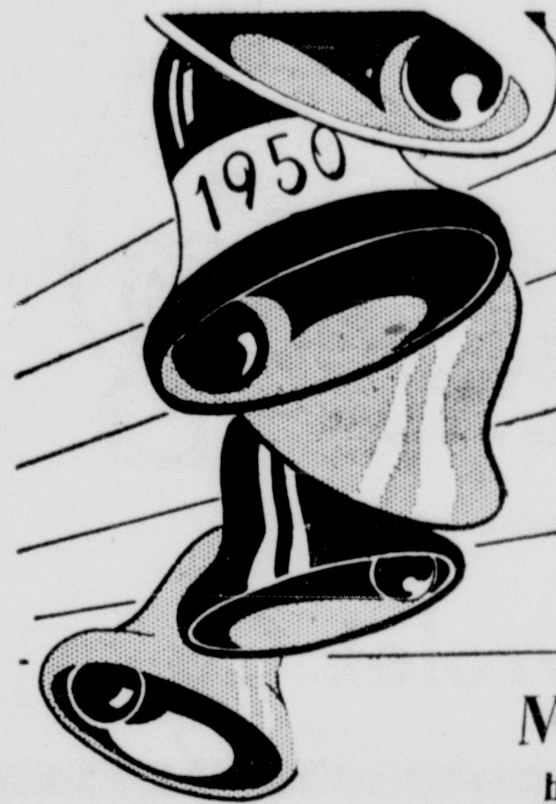
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## LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl nine years old. I am in the third grade. I have studied hard at school. I want you to bring me a magic skin doll with hair, a layette a camera and a paint set.

Your friend,

NANCY WILKERSON

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl ten years old. I want a baton and some fruit and nuts. Also remember children every where Thank you.

Your friend,

ELWANDA HOLLAND

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me a pistol with holster and some caps to put in it for Christmas. A drag line, some candy, fruits and nuts. Also remember my other two brothers and mother and daddy and my grandmother. Thank you.

ROYCE GLEN GLASER

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a girl in the third grade. I have tried to be a good girl. I want a doll, a baton, a girl's hat and some fire works. Please bring me some nuts, candy, apples and oranges. I love you.

Your friend,

KAY CAMP

Dear Santa Claus:

I liked my presents last year. Best of all I like the bike. I haven't had a flat on it yet. My sister wants a bike this Christmas. She would like a cowgirl suit. My sister, Mona wants a doll and a rubbed ball. Please, dear Santa an embroidery set for me. I also would like a cowgirl suit, too. Please bring a hat and boots to go with it. That is all, I think. So I'll be seeing you Christmas.

Your friend,

JACQUIN JAY MAULDIN

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Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little 9 year old boy. Please bring me a watch and a basketball and some fruit. Remember the other children, too.

Your friend,

LEO GLASER

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl. So please Santa I want you to bring me a set of dishes a little red purse and a nice dress for me and some apples and candy. Thank you, Santa.

From your friend,

MARTHA REISNER

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like a baseball mitt and a collar for my dog. I would also like a billfold. I like the things you brought me last year. I almost forgot that I wanted a pair of boxing gloves and a new football.

With love,

ADRIAN BAILEY

Dear Santa Claus:

I want the rest of my football suit and don't forget my brother.

Your friend,

BURNES THOMAS

REMEMBER  
LAST  
CHRISTMAS?



Remember Last Christmas?

These were the major goings-on in the world during Christmas week in 1948:

December 27 — Joseph Cardinal Mindzenty, outspoken foe of Hungary's Communist regime, was arrested on charges of plotting against the government, spying, treason and blackmarket dealings in currency.

In an extemporaneous speech at Kansas City, President Truman made this remark that caught the interest of the world: "There are certain leaders in the government of that country (Russia) who are exceedingly anxious to have an understanding with us."

December 29 — President Truman returned to Washington after a Christmas vacation in Independence, Mo.

December 28 — Twelve stranded air force men were rescued by plane from an icecap in southern Greenland by Lt. Col. Emil Beaudry.

December 31 — The 80th congress, denounced by President Truman as the second worst on record, passed into history with the adjournment of both houses.

December 31 — At year's end, America's favorite popular song for the moment was "On a Slow Boat to China."



CHRISTMAS SYMBOL . . . The light of the deathless spirit of the Yule burns steadily in every mind at this season of the year, but nowhere is it more beautifully typified than in the delighted, wide-eyed look of a child experiencing the shimmering delights of his first Christmas.

## Naturalized Citizen— That's Our Santa

Santa Claus as Americans know him is a naturalized American citizen, and as such is America's contribution to the Christmas legend. That's the opinion of Dr. Gustav O. Arlt of the department of Germanic languages on the Los Angeles campus of the University of California.

"The Norwegians who settled early in America brought the first version of the modern Santa Claus, who in Europe had been known as St. Nicholas, but never adequately personally described," said Dr. Arlt.

"When the American Clement Moore described the jolly, rotund gentleman in minute detail in his poem 'Twas The Night Before Christmas," he assumed the proportion of living legend and thus became an integral part of Christian legend and folklore," the professor stated.

## Archaeologists' Findings Bear Out Bible Stories

Archaeologists' findings oftentimes serve to further establish the authenticity of the story of Jesus. Only recently a group discovered the name of Jesus, carved before 70 A.D. and perhaps by an eyewitness to the crucifixion, among inscriptions on 11 early Christian burial urns found in a cave on the Jerusalem-Bethlehem road.

The urns may provide the "oldest archaeological record of Christianity" and an historical confirmation of the trial and crucifixion of Christ, the archaeologists said.

A sect of Hebrews, who followed Jesus, denounced Pontius Pilate and mourned the crucifixion of their leader, was believed to have left the writings on the urns in the cave.

The Hebrew and Aramic inscriptions contained common names like Miriam, Simeon, and Matti. The Greek inscriptions and symbols beside them contained references to Christianity and, it seems probable, to the crucifixion.

Phone your news items to 282.



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Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl seven years old. I go to Ad Hall school. Will you please bring me some dishes, a doll and black board, a new color book and a box of colors, some candy, fruit and nuts. Please don't forget my two little sisters and all the poor children and be sure and don't forget my teacher.

Love,  
BARBARA JEAN JUNEK

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl. I go to school. Please bring me a doll with a bottle. I want a little car. I want some fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget my mother and daddy, brother and baby sister.

Your friend,  
MARY ANN FAICHTINGER

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like to have a cap and baseball shoes. I want a basketball and a football. Also a pair of gloves and the game called Monopoly.

Your friend,  
CHARLES WILLIAMS

Dear Santa:

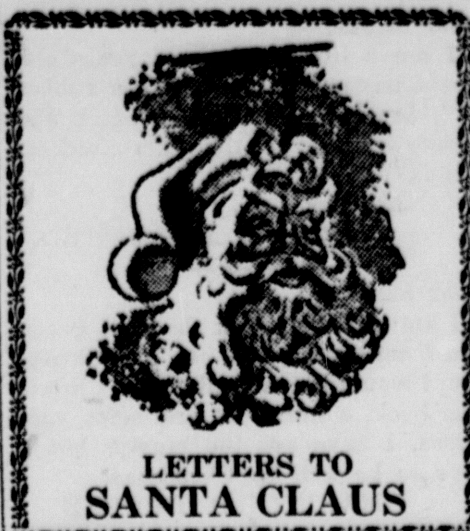
I am in the third grade. I have tried to be good this year. I want a BB gun, about four boxes of BB's and about 15c worth of fireworks.

Your friend,  
EDWARD JANES

Dear Santa:

I am in the third grade. Please bring me a bicycle, a BB gun and ten boxes of BB's.

Your friend,  
HAL LESTER SENKEL



### LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a bicycle and a BB gun. Bring my little brother a tractor and a Red Rider hat. Bring my sister a set of dishes and a doll. I will see you Christmas.

Your friend,  
JIMMY MUELLER

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like a football. I would like very much to get a bicycle and money bank, too. Thank you for the gifts you brought me last year.

Your friend,  
LEON RAY TERRY

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy nine years old. Will you bring me a Daisy BB gun? And also remember the other children every where. And they thank you, too.

Your friend,  
JIMMY SMALLEY

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy ten years old. I would like a pair of boxing gloves and a pup tent. I hope you will bring the children something all over the world.

Your friend,  
BOBBY ELLIOTT

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like a bicycle and a train. I would like a football and bat and a cowboy hat.

Your friend,  
WARREN RINN

Dear Santa Claus:

I hope you come to our town this year. All boys like electric trains. I would like an electric tran. I would be very pleased if my pups got a dog house. If I get these things, I will be very happy.

Your loving friend,  
BOB WALLACE

Dear Santa:

I am a good little boy. I go to school. I want a BB gun. I want some cowboy boots and a toy tractor and a little hopping bird. Don't forget my mother and daddy and my brothers.

Your friend,  
RICHARD KILKINS

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy six years old. I am in the first grade and I like to go to school. Please bring me an air gun and a carpenter set. I would like some fruit, nuts and candy. Remember all the other boys and girls.

Your friend,  
EARL MORGAN

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like a cowboy suit, all leather with a rope and a pair of cuffs, a vest, a pair of chaps and a gun in a holster. I would also like a satin shirt with a mask, the shirt yellow and black and the mask with a hook to hold.

Your friend,  
EMANUEL FLEISCHER

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Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy eleven years old. I hope you will bring me a big football and a baseball glove thats all I want for Christmas. Also remember other children all over the world. Thank you.

Your friend,  
DELBERT DAVIS

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl. I go to school. I want a color book and some colors. I want a red purse and some fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget my mother and daddy.

Your friend,  
BARBARA HORELICA

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good little girl. I am five years old. Will you please bring me a doll, a drum, black board and nuts and candy. Please don't forget the other good boys and girls.

Your friend,  
LANELL MORAW

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like you to bring me a ball and bat. I also would like some socks. I wonder if you have an extra basket ball that you could leave me?

Your friend,  
ARTHUR GENE MAREK

Dear Santa Claus:

I am just fine how are you? Please bring me an erector set. Please remember the poor children, too.

With love,  
Turner Newton

Dear Santa:

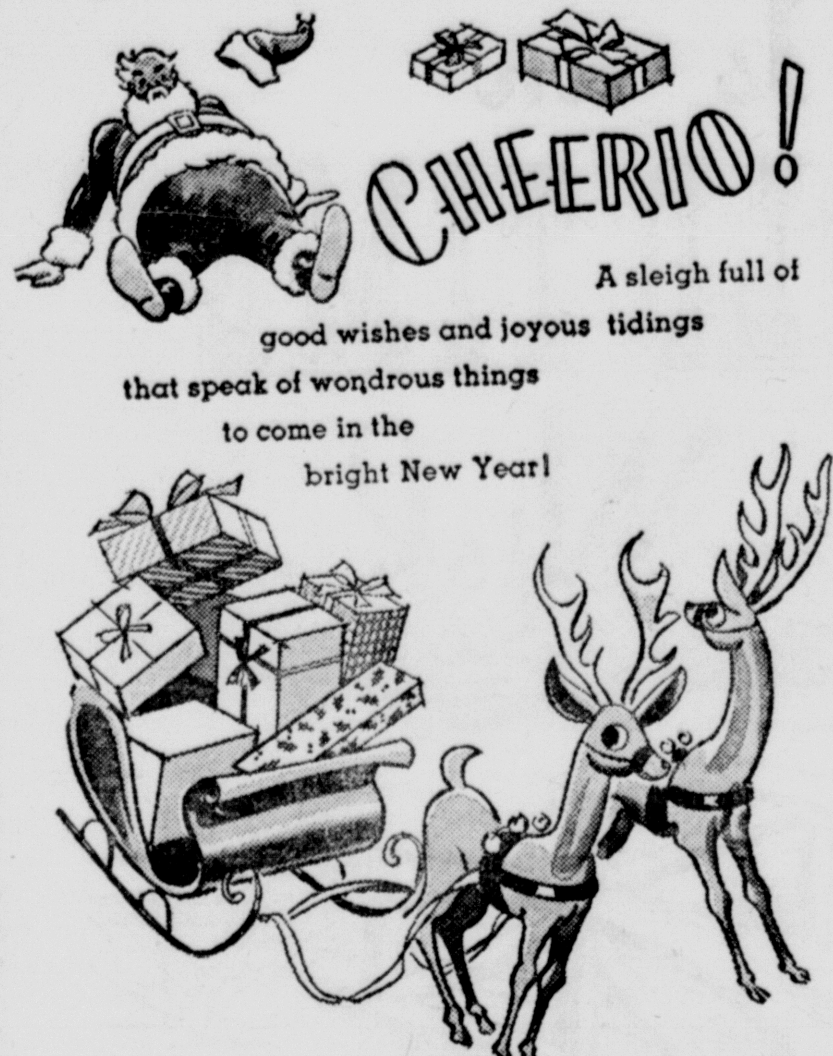
I am going to school. I want you to bring me a bicycle and a ball and bat and bring me cowboy boots and cap. Thank you, Santa.

From your friend,  
ANTON REISNER, Jr.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please send me one of the big dolls in the nickle store down town. The boy doll costs twenty dollars. That is all I want.

With love,  
MARY FIKES



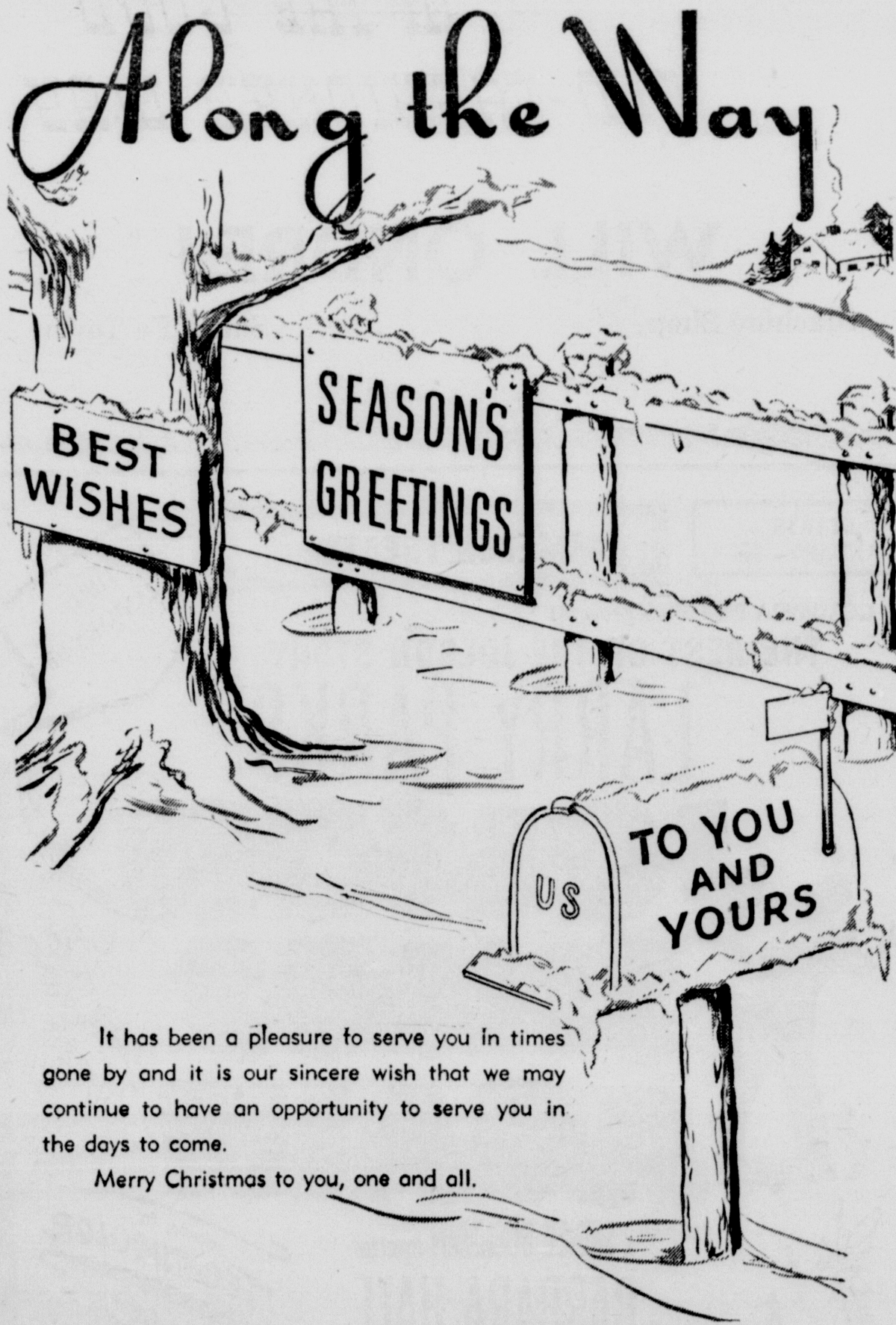
**SAM HOUSTON  
Service Station**

## Greetings

To all of our  
many patrons and friends:  
We wish you a holiday cheery and gay,  
Jolly with the spirit of Christmas Day!  
May each minute in the New Year tick off  
Happiness to crowd each day to come!

## Cameron Machine Shop

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It has been a pleasure to serve you in times gone by and it is our sincere wish that we may continue to have an opportunity to serve you in the days to come.

Merry Christmas to you, one and all.

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## GREETINGS

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New Year  
turn out exactly right for  
you!



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Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy eight years old. I like to go to school. Will you please bring a choo-choo train, cowboy boots size 2 1-2, cowboy shirt, car with paddles and some fruit, nuts and candy. Please don't forget the other boys and girls.  
Thank you,  
WILLIAM JO STOCKLAS, Jr.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am five years old and need a wagon to haul trash for my mother. I would like to have a double barrel shot gun, too.  
Yours truly,  
EDWARD W. PRATT

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a big doll that cries and says Ma Ma, cowboy boots size 12, some nuts, fruit and candy. Also nurse kit. I was a good little girl all year round.  
Thank you,  
DOROTHY HELEN STOCKLAS

Dear Santa:  
I go to St. Anthony school, I am eight years old. For Christmas would you bring me a big doll, pearl necklace and bracelet, piano and perfume. Please don't forget the other poor children. Thank you.  
LUCILLE JO JISTEL

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please send me a pretty doll with extra dresses, Candy, nuts and fruit. Don't forget all the poor children. Thank you very much.  
CATHERINE ABSNAIDER

Dear Santa:  
I am in the third grade. Please bring me a bicycle, BB gun, 20 boxes of BB shots and a wagon. I will look for you Christmas.  
Your friend,  
JAMES EDWARD GLASER

Dear Santa:  
I am going to try to be a good little girl. So please bring me a Toni doll, bicycle, Mickey Mouse watch, a set of dishes and candy.  
Very truly yours,  
SHARON VICK

Frankfurt, Germany  
116 Ringmaner, Str.  
December 5, 1949

Dear Santa Claus:  
Hello, Santa Claus, I am a little boy five years old. My name is Jim. I am from Bryan, Texas, but now I am living in Frankfurt, Germany. Santa, I have been a pretty good boy, so please bring me a cow boy suit, some play guns, a sled, a tool chest and a flash light. Santa don't forget my brother Bobby and my sister Jo Ann and also my mother and daddy. I will be waiting for you.  
Your friend,  
JIM COODY  
P. S. Santa, please don't forget to bring my granddaddy and grandmother, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tomek something nice.

Dear Santa:  
I have been a good little girl this year. Please bring me a rubber doll, a small horse, gun, nuts, fruit and candy. Thank you Santa.  
GWENDOLYN GAYLE JISTEL

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a rope, a gun and a scabbard, cowboy hat and cowboy boots.  
Your friend,  
REUBEN GARCIA

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy five years old and I would like to have an Allis-Chalmers tractor and a gravel truck. My name is Wayne. I also have a little brother that wants a car hauling truck and an Allis-Chalmers tractor. His name is Leslie Lee. Dear Santa, please don't forget to bring me a lot of candy, nuts, apples and oranges. We will have our tree in the front room so that you may find it very easy.  
Your little friend,  
WAYNE & LESLIE HEUGATTER

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy seven years old and would like to have an air gun, a football and a wagon. Please remember all the other little boys and girls.  
Yours truly,  
CHARLES M. PRATT

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a boy six years old and I am in the first grade. I want a football, record player, shotgun and a ball and bat. Don't forget the other children.  
Love,  
JOHN NORTON SPRINGER

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl three years old. For Christmas I would like a rubber doll, bracelet, gun, horn, tractor and please don't forget the other children. Thank you.  
Love,  
CAROLYN ANN JISTEL

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl in the first grade and I am seven years old. For Christmas I would like a Toni doll, a Christmas book, a nurse kit and some surprises. I have got the mumps but I hope to be well by Christmas.  
MARILYN D. HUGHES

Dear Santa:  
Will you please bring me a gun, belt and holster. I would also like a pair of gloves to wear to school and a book satchel too for school. I have tried to be a good boy and help my mother. I bring in wood, gather the eggs and help with my little brother and sister.  
Love,  
ROBERT BAGGERLY

Dear Santa:  
I am in the third grade. Please bring me a tricycle and a doll.  
Your friend,  
PATRICIA JANES

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little six year old girl in the first grade at Ada - Henderson school at Cameron. I have tried to be a good girl. So would you please bring me a real watch, baton and a doll if this is to much you may give the doll to someone else, as I have so many. Thank you very much.  
NELL ANN WARD

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a doll and a doll buggy. I am seven years old and I go to Cameron school.  
Your friend,  
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## LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

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Love,  
GEORGE W. DITTO

Dear Santa Claus:  
I would like to have a hunting knife, if you can bring me one. Will you bring me some firecrackers. My little sister would like to have a doll. I am ten years old and my little sister is four years old. I love you, Santa.

Your friend,  
DWAYNE JEKEL

Dear Santa Claus:  
I would like to have an air gun and fountain pen. I would like some fire crackers. Remember all other children, too. Please.

Your friend,  
CARROLL WAYNE JUNGMAN

Dear Santa:  
Please send me a magic skin doll and play nurse kit. I want a magic skin doll that can say mama and a play telephone with bells and voice. A sewing machine for my big sister, Margie and a tricycle and wagon for Edward my little brother.

Love,  
EARLINE WILHITE

Dear Santa Claus:  
Will you bring me a truck that carries cars? And will you bring me a basketball? My big brother would like a razor and my sister would like a bottle of perfume and a handkerchief. My mother would like a purse and father would like a billfold.

Your friend,  
JIMMIE

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please send me a doll and a baseball, some nuts and candy. I want you to come to town. My sister would like a doll and a doll bed.

Your friend,  
BETTIE LOU HEINTZ

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a little fire truck that I can get in and drive, also a tractor. Please bring my baby brother a solid rubber doll.

Your friend,  
ARVELL JUNGMAN

Dear Santa Claus:  
I would like a BB gun and some BB's. I hope you come to my house. I hope you don't get your clothes dirty. I don't want your reindeer to get too tired. I surely did like what you brought me last year.

Your friend,  
GEORGE MALONE

Dear Santa Claus:  
I would like a bride doll with pretty hair and pretty eyes and a doll house made of metal and full of toy furniture. I sure did like the things you brought me last year.

Your friend,  
DODOTHY JEAN JOHNSON

Dear Santa Claus:  
I hope you get to our town which is Cameron. If you get here, I would like to have a bicycle and bat and ball. Please don't forget the children all over the world.

With love,  
RUTH MATYASTIK

Dear Santa Claus:  
For Christmas I want a musical top, plastic duck family and girl and boy plastic doll set and Golden Tuffy teddy bear, a set of dishes, a doll, interlocking ABC blocks and a broom and mop.

Love,  
KAY DITTO

Dear Santa:  
I would like you to bring my mother a pair of shoes and my sister a pair of earrings. My brother would like a football and please bring me a baseball.

Your friend,  
CARROL ANN

Dear Santa Claus:  
For Christmas I want a doll that has many clothes and can say mama, some dishes and all metal two story doll house, Betsy Ross Sewing machine and kitchen cabinet, Deluxe Refrigerator and running water, modern play stove and Bake-a-cake set, play phonograph and a play nurse kit. Play telephone with bells and voice, toy grand piano, 31 piece all metal tea set, six piece out door set and safe electric iron, all rubber cars, 18 inch mama doll and a pair of skates.

Love,  
MARY JO DITTO

Dear Santa:  
Well, I want you to bring me a nice tricycle and a football and a little billfold. Some apples and candy. Thank you, Santa.

EDWARD REISNER

Dear Santa:  
For Christmas I would like two pairs of boxing gloves one punching bag and some candy, gum drops and some mixed nuts.

Your friend,  
LARRY JACKSON

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a Sunday School suit. I want a wagon for Christmas and a watch.

Your friend,  
BENNIE LEE DAUGHERTY

Dear Santa Claus:  
I have not been very bad. I want two guns, a baton and two holsters and a fountain pen. I want a picture of you please. May I have some candy, a bag of nuts and a bag of fruit.

I love you,  
Your friend,  
THELMA GILBERT

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl in the third grade. Please bring me a dress, a hat and a pair of shoes and a purse. Please bring me some candy and fruit.

Your friend,  
BOBBIE EDMONDS

Dear Santa Claus:  
I would like a baton for Christmas. I would like a raincoat, too. Please bring me a dictionary and a pair of house shoes. My little sister wants a gun for Christmas. She wants a doll, too. I am going to hang up my stocking and I would like for you to fill it up.

Your friend,  
JANICE MARIE BRIDGES



## Greetings

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and bring you every happiness  
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Twenty million horseshoes are sold every year in the United States—250,000 are for horseshoe grinding.

There are 1,200 varieties of trees in the United States but only about 500 have enough commercial value to be of economic significance.

Approximately 50 per cent of the doctors in this country are located in 4 of the 48 states, namely, New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois, California, Ohio, Massachusetts, Texas and Michigan.

Cryogenics is the science of extremely low temperatures.

In ordinary times, of the 365 days in a year, 299 are holidays in one country or another.

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December 22, 1949

## Model Business Now Specialized As Any Others

NEW YORK—It may never look like it on the surface, but modeling business is now as specialized as engineering. And the would-be model is advised before packing her suitcase for the trip to the big city to look at the various phases of modeling and decide what doors to knock upon.

First, naturally, is the glamorous fashion photographer model career, epitomized by Jean Fanchett. Then there's the fashion show model, like Wendy Russell.

There are models in dress houses, like Peggy Porter.

And there are artists' models, like Leona Osborn.

Even-featured and beautiful Jean Fanchett, 23, is currently riding the crest of the wave in her own division. Since last year (when her career started) she has been on five magazine covers and has lost count of the number of times she has been on the inside pages. She has taken airplane and boat jaunts to Southern and Northern climes for photographic purposes. Her weekly pay is over \$500.

### That \$500 Weekly

"It is ever drops below \$500," she said. "I get worried and think maybe I'm through. Then I rush out and get a new hairdo or something."

She's an Eastern Shore Maryland girl whose ambition was to be a singer. But she was infected by the modeling bug, borrowed some money from a disapproving family and hit New York.

She lives in a women's hotel, is careful about money and drinks, maybe, if she's smart and handles herself well, she'll last 10 years in the business.

"It's hard work," she says. "I haven't had a date for a week. You've got to take good care of yourself if you want to look fresh and attractive."

According to Jean, no one can teach you to be a model, it's something you can do or can't do.

"You have to have a feel for clothes, and be able to catch in your face the mood of a dress," she added.

Jean is at the top of her profession—only a handful of girls make that kind of money. Many hopefuls, who receive occasional jobs, are making coffee-and-cake money as saleswomen or clerical workers.

### Showed New Technique

Pretty, vivacious Wendy Russell, a few years older than Jean, is one of the most popular fashion show models in the business—and it pays off during the fashion show season at a rate of about \$400 a week. But the average model takes, says Wendy, runs around \$125.

When Wendy came to New York from Marshall, Tex., the fashion show model invariably was a mildly beautiful, bored girl who walked out and displayed clothes as though she were conferring a privilege upon the audience.

That wasn't Wendy's dish of tea. She ran out to the audience, looking pleased and excited as well as pretty. She sold clothes, and soon was in great demand. She thinks she started a new technique in her line.

### Goat-Riding Vermonters Bar Women, Shook From Homesite

BETHEL, Vt.—Goat riding Vermonters barred Mrs. Arthur Lamear and her wagon load of livestock from their waiting home when the 54-year old woman returned here from a 1,400-mile trip to Arkansas and back by prairie schooner.

As her covered wagon grunted into this Green Mountain village she left last year, Mrs. Lamear was greeted by an enthusiastic welcome from townsfolk—and an ultimatum from residents of nearby Roylton where she had planned to settle on a friend's farm.

"You can't come into Roylton with those goats," said the ultimatum delivered to Mrs. Lamear by a messenger when she halted her nanny-cramped wagon at noon on Bethel's main street.

Mrs. Lamear gave no sign of disappointment at being barred from the 80-acre Roylton farm made available to her by Mrs. Eugene Fisher of Cowanda, N. Y.

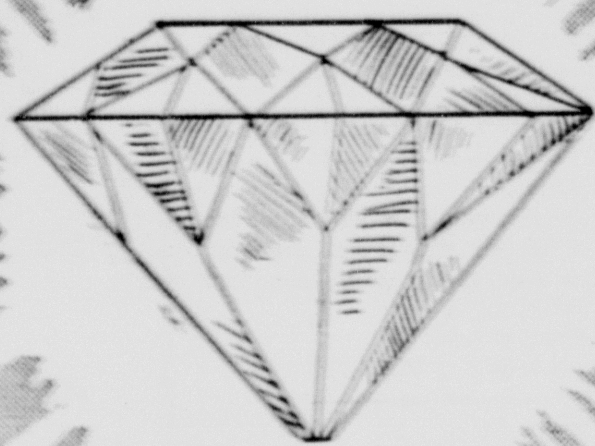
Informed that several Roylton men were waiting at the town line to turn her back if she vent that way, she started her wagon toward Camp Brook, some five miles out of the village, to seek refuge at the farm of a nephew.

"It's still wonderful to see the Green Mountains again," she said. Mrs. Lamear began her 1,400-mile return trip July 1 when she left Hunt, Ark.

She drove the wagon to Arkansas last year in belief the climate there would speed her husband's recovery from injuries suffered in an automobile accident. When his health failed to improve, they decided to return to Vermont. He came north by bus and found work at Bryant, N. Y., while his wife made the trip by wagon.

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## SEASON'S GREETINGS!

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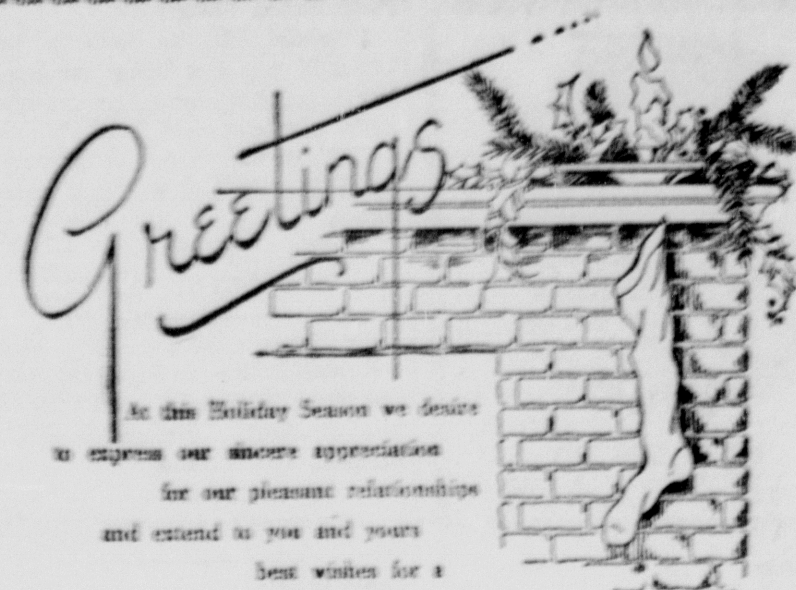
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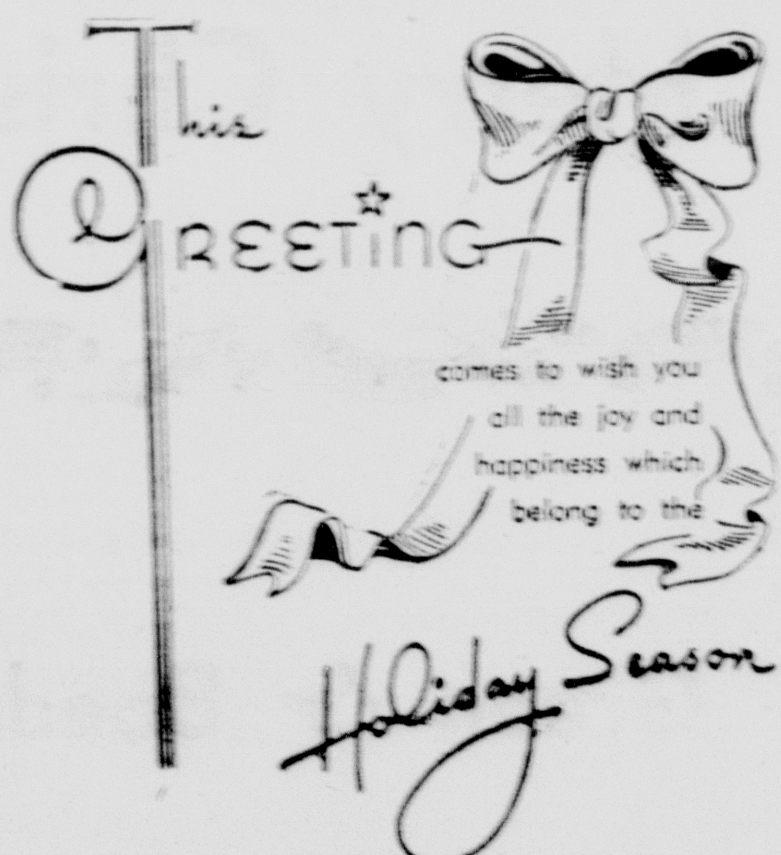
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### Live 150 Years?— That Is Possible, Physicians State

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.—No body today expects to live 120 or 150 years, but the extension of man's life-expectancy to those ages has already been assumed theoretically by scientists.

This opinion was voiced by physicians at the 84th meeting of the Michigan state medical society here.

But they warned against "over-selling" the so-called miracle drugs derived from soil bacteria, dust cultures, wild plants and animal glands.

As the more conservative spokesmen for the medical profession view it, penicillin, the sulfonamides, streptomycin, chloromycetin, cortisone and other elements of the new armamentarium represent an end of an era—the conquest of infectious disease.

Many more persons who might have succumbed to illness in the early and middle years of life will be enabled to live into the sixties and seventies.

But there is nothing on the horizon of science which offers any present prospect for immediate and material increase in longevity.

Once past the half century mark, the human body appears to react more rapidly to degenerative processes. In later life, these generally manifest themselves in heart disease, hardening of the arteries and cancer. Thus far, medical science has exerted little control over them.

It was the consensus of those interviewed that "the best assurance of longevity is found in long lived ancestors."

Asked to compound a prescription for longevity, using ingredients of known value, the doctors came up with:

Regular physical examinations, early diagnosis and elimination of disease; maintenance of minimum weight through a well balanced diet; moderate but regular exercise; avoidance of worry; continuance of social contact and the cultivation of continually new interests, hobbies and intellectual activities.

According to the Smithsonian Institution, it is extremely doubtful whether there is any such being as a real white man.

Third base is the "hot corner" of baseball.

The players' bench in baseball is called the dugout.

### Professor Reduces Love To Cardiac 'Reaction'

CHAUTAUQUA, N. Y. — Dr. Ernest Osborne, professor of education at teachers college, Columbia university, points out that most people believe there is a "kind of magic" in marriage.

"We are constantly under the impact of the idea that romantic love is the highest basic value to search for," he said.

Referring to this phenomenon as a "cardiac respiratory reaction," he warned that the "extreme of expectation in this area may well be the cause of failure in marriage."

In exalting the romantic love concept, he added, we are reaching for an unreal level of perfection; and for most of us, this cardiac respiratory reaction tends to be modified after a few years, while such things as warmth, understanding and sharing of experiences tend to take a high priority.

The violoncello, of all musical instruments, most nearly resembles the human voice.

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### U.S. Tots Speaking Russian Pose Problem for Parents

NEW YORK. — Two plump American youngsters romped happily about the sun deck as the U.S. liner America arrived at the docks. They chattered in a language that startled bystanders and proved a problem for their parents.

Davis E. Boster, Jr., 4, and his sister, 2, children of a United States embassy attache in Moscow, returned with their parents.

Boster said that he took his family to Moscow 15 months ago from their Hudson (Ohio) home when the children were just beginning to learn English. Because an embassy rule requires wives of lesser attaches to work, the children were cared for by Russian domestics. They learned Russian.

The youngsters soon forgot what English they knew, Boster said.

The cricket makes its noise with its wings.



Chas. M. Hicks

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Dear Santa Claus:  
I love you very much. I want you to come to see me at Christmas. I would like a BB gun and a tool set. I need a fountain pen for school. I hope you will bring that for me.  
Your friend,  
LEON MCGOLDRICK

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me something for Christmas. Bring me some candy, apples, oranges and bananas. Will you take my friend and me to Cameron for your program?  
Your friend,  
JESSIE DE LEON

Dear Santa Claus:  
Will you bring me a ring, a map and a baseball. I would like a blackboard and four little story books. My sister and I would surely like a bicycle. Have you one to spare?  
Your friend,  
DORIS PLASEK

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### LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus:  
I would like to have a kick ball, a baton, some boots and a watch. I am in the third grade. Bring fruit, nuts and candy, too.  
Your friend,  
NELDA BALDRIDGE

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am in the third grade. I want an air gun and a ball glove and a ball and some fruit.  
Your friend,  
EUGENE LANGE

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl. I am in the third grade. I want a doll, a bicycle, a box of candy and nuts. I have been a good girl.  
With love,  
MARY SHAFER

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am in the third grade. My name is Donald Ray. I am eight years old. Santa Claus will you bring me some candy and fruit, a football, a baseball, boots and blue jeans.  
Your friend,  
DONALD RAY WHITE

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a baseball glove, an airgun, a pair of boots and a football. Be sure to bring me some candy, nuts and oranges. Do not forget me.  
With love,  
Your friend,  
PAT WESTBROOK

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a girl eight years old. I want a Sunday dress, house coat, some house shoes and some socks. I have been good. I want you to bring my Daddy some shoes and my mother a dress and my Granddaddy a shirt.  
With love,  
Your friend,  
LANELLE FIKES

Dear Santa Claus:  
For Christmas I want two cap pistols and a punch-in-bag and some fruit.  
With love,  
JOE GERICK

Dear Santa Claus:  
How are you, just fine I hope. I want you to bring me two toys. A bicycle and a doll. Please bring some candy and nuts and fruit.  
Your friend,  
NORMA FAYE CHUPP

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want an air gun, a ball, a transformer, a bicycle and nuts, candy and fruit. I love you.  
Your friend,  
DICKY SIMANK

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am in the third grade. I have not been very bad. I would like a pair of boxing gloves, a boxing bag, a football and bat and a baseball. I love you.  
Your friend,  
WILLIAM WARREN

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a magic skin doll, a nurse kit and a pencil box. A pink dress and a zip notebook. Please bring me some candy and some fruit and nuts.  
With love,  
SHARON WISE

Dear Santa Claus:  
I love you very much. I have been a good girl in school. I want a Majorie doll, a doll house and some doll furniture. Please bring me some nuts, candy and fruit. Be sure to bring my sister something too. Merry Christmas.  
With love,  
Your friend,  
BEVERLY SCHILLER

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy two years old. I want you to bring me a red and white tricycle and wind up tractor. Some other toys and fruits, nuts and candy. Remember other little girls and boys all over the world and my mother and daddy and my grand mother.  
With love,  
DELMER RAY GLASER

Dear Santa Claus:  
I surely did like the things you brought me last year. Now all I would like this year is some clothes and a new pair of shoes.  
Your friend,  
JOHNNY MOSELEY

An electronic device has been created which gazes into the molecular secrets of substances weighing as little as 1-28 millionth of an ounce.

The light of the farthest star that can be seen by the naked eye has taken about 900,000 years to reach the earth.



## Hearty CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

### Parma Radio Service

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Merry Christmas

May your happiness at Christmas be perfect and may it add much brightness to each moment of the coming year.

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All is bright

WISHING YOU  
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## Seasons Greetings

It's Christmas time—and we want to take this opportunity and this means of extending to you and yours our best wishes for a Merry, Merry Christmas. And our most sincere wish will not come true unless the Season brings you beautiful pleasures and happiness.

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## GREETINGS

AND A SONG OF  
GOOD CHEER

TO WISH YOU

a Good Christmas

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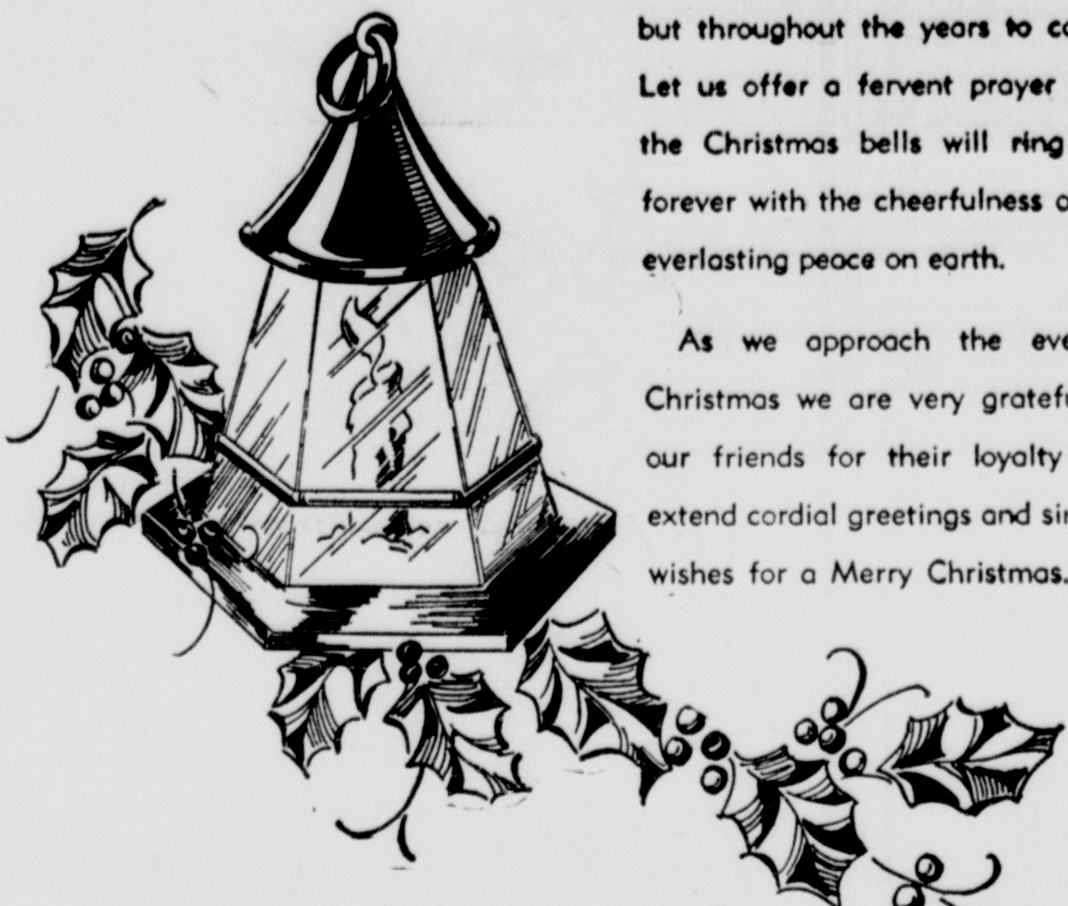
Dear Santa Claus:  
I have been a good little boy. I am three years old. Please bring me a little football, a truck, blackboard and nuts and candy. Don't forget my friends.  
Your friend,  
WAYNE MORAW

Dear Santa Claus:  
I would like a BB pistol and a cub scout suit. I want a football and an erector set. Please bring me a pair of ear phones. Please bring my sister a new purse.  
Your friend,  
TODDY LAWRENCE

Dear Santa Claus:  
Will you please bring me a BB gun. That will be all. Please bring the poor little children something, too. Thank you for the Red Rider shirt.  
Your friend,  
JERRY McCARTY

MAY the Christmas spirit be with us not for a few calendar days but throughout the years to come. Let us offer a fervent prayer that the Christmas bells will ring out forever with the cheerfulness of an everlasting peace on earth.

As we approach the eve of Christmas we are very grateful to our friends for their loyalty and extend cordial greetings and sincere wishes for a Merry Christmas.



LET US KEEP CHRISTMAS  
A SHINING LIGHT

C. T. Raney

Commissioner Precinct 1, Milam County



We thank you most enthusiastically for the excellent cooperation we have enjoyed during the year just drawing to a close. We have tried to serve you courteously and efficiently and pledge continuation of our efforts as long as we have the privilege of serving you.

Allow us to extend the Season's Good Cheer to everybody!

Byron Neal

Commissioner Precinct 3, Milam County

## Girl, 18, Collects Insects in Hobby Started as Child

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Instead of shrieking with horror when she sees a bug, Dalene Pierré shouts with joy and tries to catch it for her collection.

At 18, she knows plenty about butterflies and insects—most of which she learned outside school. It all began when she had just learned to walk. Her father, E. H. Pierré, used to take her fishing. Since she was too small to fish, she toddled around catching bugs.

She has been seriously studying about them for five years. She has a case of butterflies and one of other insects, but she prefers to study them while they're alive. She spent months studying a colony of termites in her back yard, and bees and ants on her father's farm at Jeffersonville.

On the lookout for unusual bugs, she usually carries a small box or bottle with her. One day she noticed a darling underwing moth lying dead in the show window of a downtown department store. She marched in, asked for it, and got it.

She has a butterfly net, but says the best way to catch them is with a mixture of peach juice and whiskey. "You put it on a tree," she explained. "The butterflies are attracted by the sweet peach juice and they get drunk on the whiskey. It's simple to catch them while they flounder around. I really don't think it's quite fair to catch them that way, though."

Some of the insects in her collection were given to her by relatives and friends. Her uncle, a carpenter, found a large rhinoceros beetle in the basement of a house he was working on.

"You find more insects when you're not looking for them," Dalene said.

## Youngster Gets Tips on Railway Prexy's Skills

CHICAGO.—Seldom does a youngster get the opportunity for the kind of advice that came to 15-year-old Eugene Knol, of Blue Earth, Minn.

Eugene had wanted to be a railroad president ever since he can remember. A high school freshman, he has his heart set on that job. Now, he has taken the first step in that direction.

He was assigned in school to write a paper on what he planned to do in adult life. He needed expert advice, so he wrote to C. H. Buford, president of the Milwaukee railroad.

The letter finally found its way through all the intricate channels in a huge railway office to the desk of President Buford.

Buford said later he read the letter with a nostalgic feeling. It had been years, he said, since railroad presidents received letters from boys with that ambition.

### Ambition Fading

He recalled that at one time it was the mark of a typical American boy. But today, Buford said, that ideal seems to have disappeared in a world of atomics and jet planes.

Buford was glad to write the letter, he said, and took considerable time on his duties. He was "on the spot" so he thought about it for a long time, then sat down and outlined the steps he believed brought him to the top job.

This is his advice:

1. Keep strong and physically fit. This is a must for railroad men.
2. No young man can succeed in any line unless he is scrupulously honest, conscientious and considerate of others. Develop confidence in yourself, but don't be a smart aleck.
3. Industry and co-operation are important. Teamwork is as essential on a railroad as on a football field. Don't be Miserly.
4. Learn and remember the value of the dollar. Don't be miserly, but get value received for what you spend, and don't squander either your own or your employer's money.
5. Cultivate and develop a pleasing and friendly personality.
6. Finish college, and, perhaps, a technical or professional school. Specialize in some type of engineering, accounting, business administration, law, or some other field. It is possible to achieve the presidency through any of these lines.
7. Spend your summer vacations working on a railroad. You must know a great deal about all types of railroad work.
8. When you get that vacation job, get a letter of recommendation or go on your own. Sell yourself to your employer. Tell him that you are not afraid to work and that you are ready to start.
9. When your preparations are finished, go after your permanent job the same way you went after the vacation job.

From then on it's up to you. The railroad president concluded: "I sincerely hope that your ambition may be achieved and that some day, when I am not around, those of your generation will read the annual report of a large railroad, signed by Eugene Knol, president."



## LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like a bag and a television set. If my daddy will let me, I want a BB gun. I thank you for the gifts you brought me last year very much.

Your friend,  
LITTLETON BARRETT

Dear Santa Claus:

I wish you would bring me a ball and bat and a baseball glove. I love you very much.

Your friend,  
LADIS VRAZEL

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Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a ring, a big rubber doll and volley ball and a fountain pen. My little sister would like a big rubber doll, a fountain pen and a white sweater and a few surprises.

Your friend,  
PEGGY HIGHTOWER

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like to have a pair of skates and a record player. Please bring me some nuts and candy. My little sister who is twenty-two months old would like a doll and a wagon. She would like some nuts and candy also. May you make the other children happy.

With love,  
CHARLOTTE ANN GREENLEES

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like to tell you what I want for Christmas. I would like a doll and some clothes, a big rubber ball and something for my mother and Daddy. Please bring me some nuts, fruit and candy. And I wish you a Merry Christmas.

Your friend,  
JIMMIE E. HENSON



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ROBERT WEEMS, Operator

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#### NEWEST THEORY

### Quarantine Out in Polio

NEW YORK.—Among the many new theories being adopted about polio the latest one is that quarantine does no good in halting the spread of the disease.

It is of "unproved value," declared a committee of 20 authorities on all phases of the malady. Its effects may be bad rather than good.

"Enforcement of unwarranted quarantine regulations may create or enhance public fear or hysteria in epidemics, waste the time and efforts of professional personnel and facilities, and produce needless social and economic hardships for patient and family," says the national committee on recommended practices for control of polio myelitis.

This stand on quarantine is one point of a new polio control guide now going to health officials in all the states and territories.

#### Rules Vary Greatly

"It is intended as a sensible approach to control practices, based upon the facts about polio as we know them now," said Dr. Kenneth S. Landauer, director of medical care, National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. He was a member of the committee, and his office is distributing the new guide. States are requesting copies by hundreds and thousands.

"State and local authorities vary greatly in their rules on polio isolation and quarantine," he said. "But recent findings indicate that certain restrictions imposed in the past are not supported by the facts. It is hoped that areas hampered by useless restrictions will change them according to the new recommendations."

Numerous localities have tried quarantine, even to trying to keep visitors out of their town. But such steps didn't do anything to halt the spread of polio. The mere posting of polio-quarantine signs proved frightening. Doctors and health officials, busy treating sick people or arranging for their care, had an unnecessary burden thrown on their shoulders.

#### Opposed to Closing

"Close association with infected persons accounts for the great majority of new cases of polio," the guide says. But research suggests this contact has to be really in time, extending over a period of time. The home appears to be the most common place for the spread of polio.

Theaters, circuses, fairs, swimming pools, or beaches should not be closed if they are properly operated, it adds.

Public and private schools should not be closed during a polio outbreak nor their opening delayed, for such acts "have not affected the course of outbreaks of polio." They only lead to panic.

#### Medieval Jousting Holds Popularity in Maryland

WASHINGTON.—The medieval sport of jousting still is indulged in at county fairs and horse shows in Maryland, according to the National Geographic Society. Tournaments became widespread in Maryland about 1840 and have retained their popularity ever since.

Although the contestants do not wear the traditional armor associated with the jousts of old, they have maintained some of the ritualistic ceremony that accompanied the sport, and the cry of "Charge, Sir Knight" can be heard all the summer on the fields where the events take place.

Instead of tilting at each other, the contestants spur their horses down a course toward a series of three trestles and attempt to spear with sharp-pointed lances small metal rings dangling from cross-bars. The winning rider is the one spearing the most rings; and to him goes the honor also of choosing the tournament queen of love and beauty.

The modern "knights" run the course three times, clad in colorful silks and riding breeches and bearing titles usually taken from the town or estate from which they originate. The master of ceremonies, who directs the contestants at different stages of the meet, is called the Lord of the Tourney.

"Riding at the rings"—the modern version of the medieval sport—also has become popular in the country districts of Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina and Pennsylvania.

#### Marine Proves He's Equal To Seven in Street Battle

SAN DIEGO, Calif.—According to an item which recently appeared in the San Diego Union, former marines throughout the nation can point to Policeman Leon Kozlowski of Calumet City, Calif., as proof of the leathernecks' classic boast that one marine is the equal of seven other men.

Officer Kozlowski, a marine veteran and Japanese prisoner in World War II, was patrolling his beat one night when he came upon seven men fighting. He attempted to stop the fracas, and the combatants all turned on him.

The odds of 7 to 1 were just about right. The battlers fell all around when Kozlowski lowered the boom.

#### Voyageurs

##### Small Boaters Conquer Sea

DARTMOUTH, England.—Two daring British brothers completed a 2,700 mile Atlantic crossing in a home-made 20-foot sailboat.

Stanley Smith, 30, and his brother, Colin, 29, set foot on land for the first time since leaving Halifax, N. S., in their flimsy craft. The trip required 43 days.

The two former glider pilots were welcomed by screaming sirens and ships' whistles, while hundreds of persons cheered.

Looking fit and bronzed the two were whisked off to the city hall for a reception by the mayor and city councilors.

After successfully braving storms, thirst and starvation for more than six weeks without aid, the brothers had to accept a tow from a harbor launch to make their triumphal entrance. The wind failed them 500 yards off shore.

The Smith brothers emigrated to Canada last February. While on the liner crossing the Atlantic, they designed their little craft with the idea of using it on cruises through the Canadian lakes.

Four communities in Texas are named Midway.



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This may not please anyone who believes in racial superiority but anthropologists do not believe that an absolutely pure race exists—the race that comes the closest to being "pure" is that of the pygmies of Equatorial Africa.

It is believed that ice on the North American continent once reached a thickness of 10,000 feet.

Bugs, scientists believe, will have a better chance than men to survive an atomic war—they're not so vulnerable to radiation.

Comets' tails have brushed the earth numerous times, but their gases have always failed to penetrate our atmosphere.

Heart trouble is 30 per cent deadlier in winter than in summer.

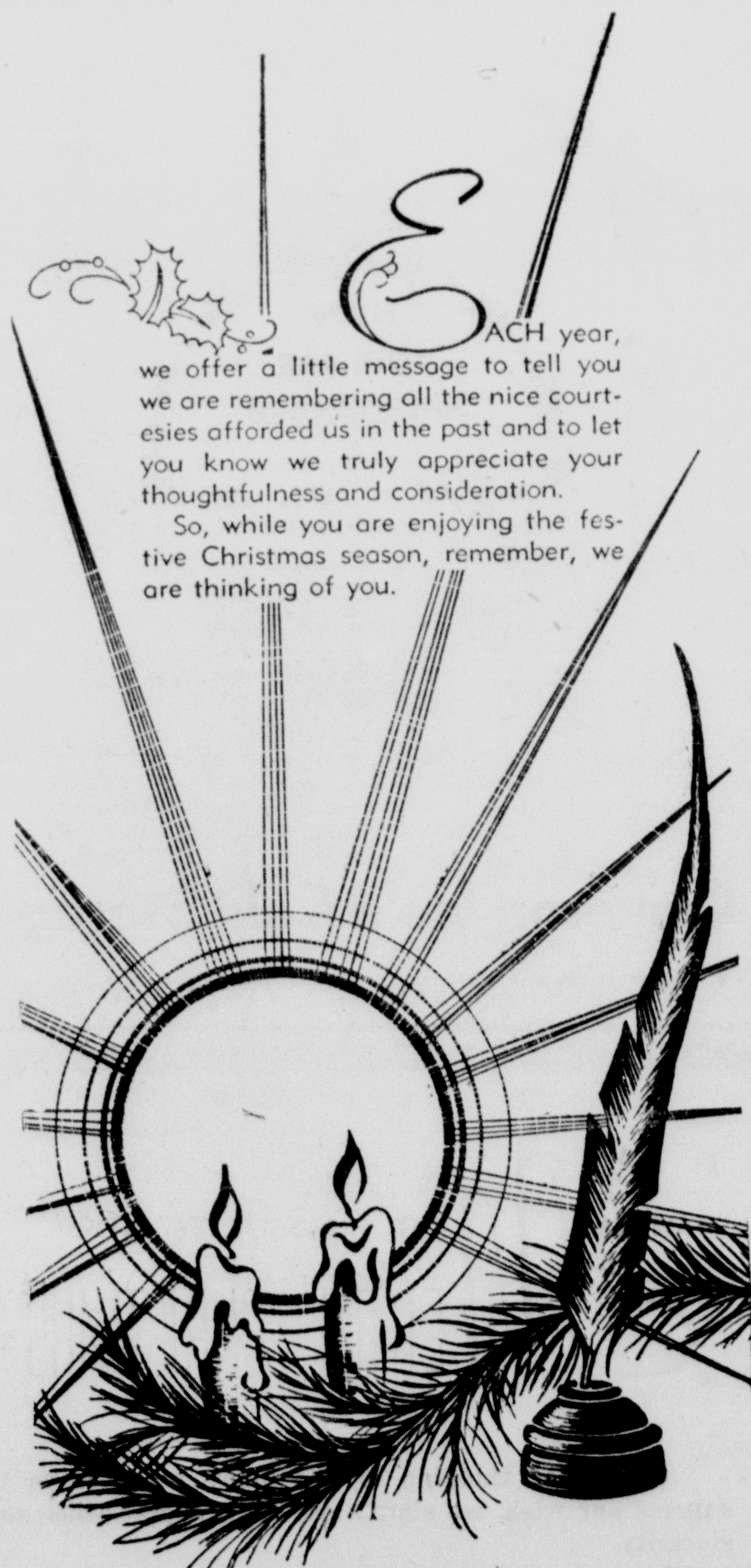
At the close of the Civil War some 10,000 Southerners moved to Latin American countries.

Tyler, Texas, produces more than one-third of all the rosebushes in the U. S.



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### Would-Be Bank Robber Foiled by Tough Vault

GENEVA, N. Y.—A former delivery man who, police said, had admitted struggling unsuccessfully for two nights and a day to open a bank vault, was arrested, tried and discouraged, as he was seen leaving the bank.

Horace K. Cook was charged with third degree burglary and petty larceny as a result of the episode.

Police quoted Cook as saying he scaled a fire escape, crossed two roofs and climbed down a cornice to enter an unlocked second story window in the bank building.

W. Horace Rogers, bank president, said the window had been left open for ventilation. He said the opening was considered inaccessible from the street.

Cook related that he kept trying to open the vault until he left the building Monday morning, Murphy said. He added that Cook said he used tools he found in the bank and fed on candy from a vending machine.

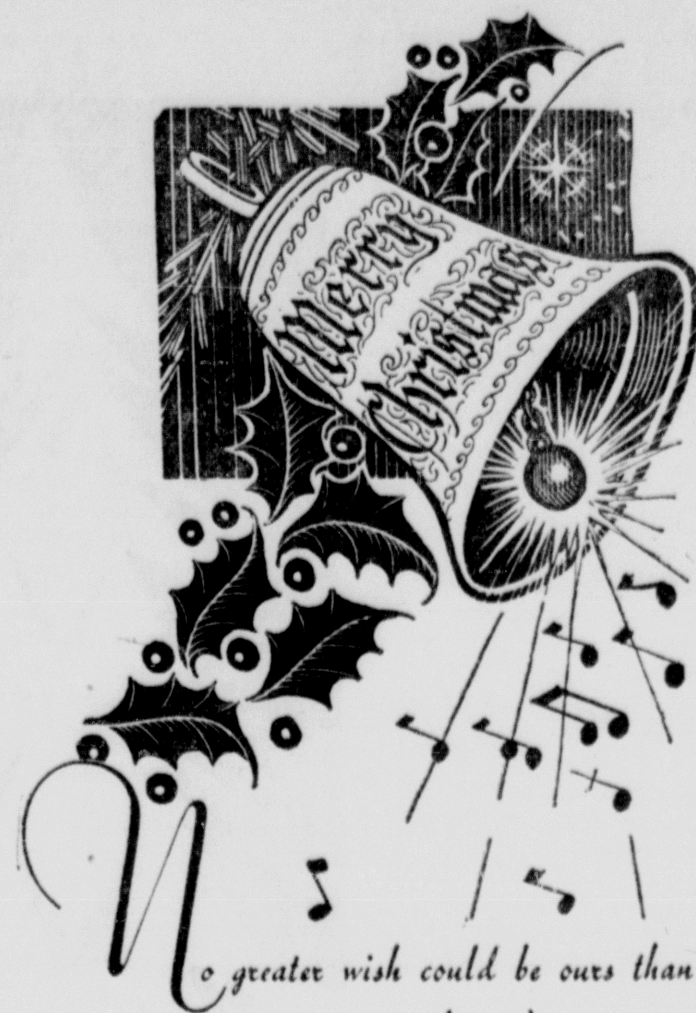
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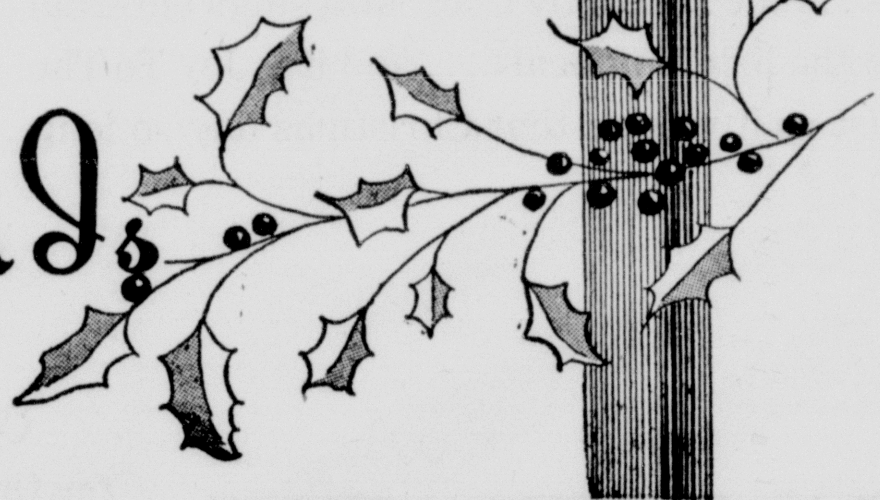
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Friends



Christmas transcends all other seasons of the year. It is a time when emphasis is placed upon the more abiding things in our lives, like Friends, Good Will and Good Neighbors. True, business is important, and we have had a generous share of that in 1949, but our thoughts now are about our friends. If this greeting finds you happy and enjoying the blessings this season affords, we will be happy also.

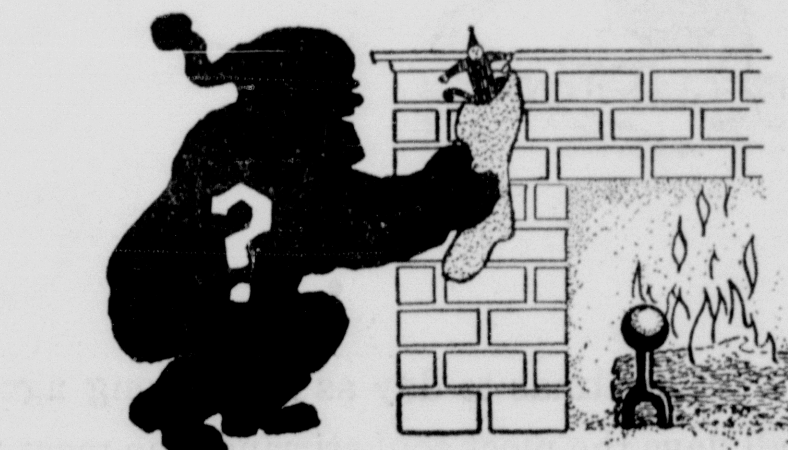
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The Centuries come and go and leave their marks upon us. The Star that led the Wise Men plodding through a desert night, still shines undiminished, over Bethlehem and the world . . . the dawn still comes to rout the darkness . . . the Heavenly Choir still sings eternal music to heal the listening heart . . . and it is Joy To The World . . . just as it was on that Christmas day so long ago.



Christmas to-day as in the long ago is of all days the most soul stirring, the most meditative. It is a day in which to dream for better days as well as to make merry and to commemorate the advent into the world of the Savior of mankind. It is a day when "Peace on Earth Good Will to Men," assumes greater meaning and brings Hope so profound that it transcends utterance.



Come to the Church and let us give thanks for this land where people are free to gather and openly pray. Give thanks for the Savior who taught the world that love is more powerful than hate, good mightier than evil, life stronger than death. Express your thanks by attending church. Resolve now to have a share in the church growth in a Christian community in the New Year.

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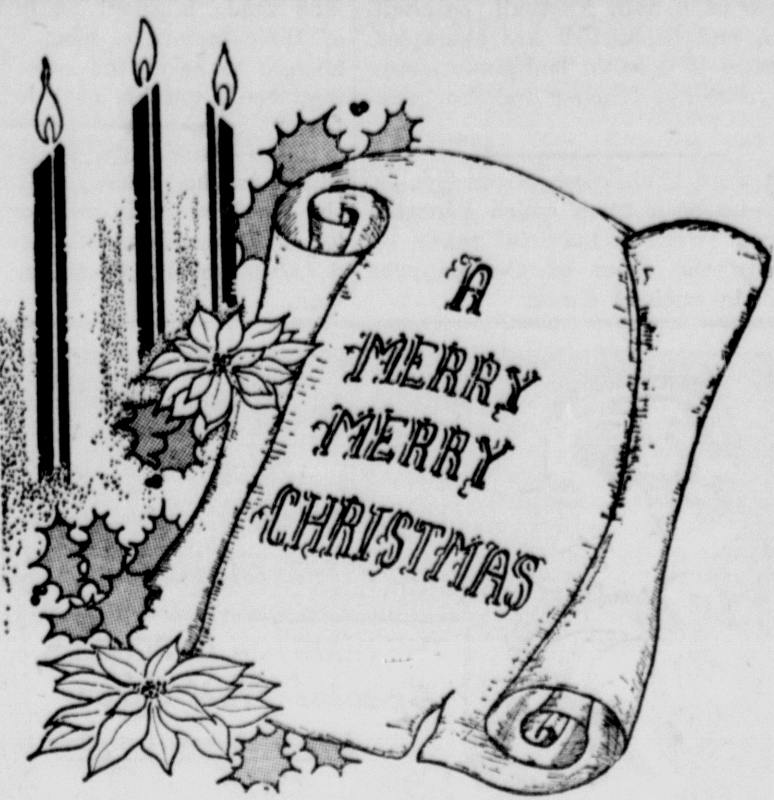
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From His divine, unending store  
And bring contentment to your heart  
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REV. LOUIS DAVIDSON, Pastor





## The Cameron Daily Midget

### Taffy Leads Search Party To Find His Lost Master

LAWTON, MICH.—A little spaniel led more than a thousand searchers to his little master who had been lost in the woods for almost five hours.

The child, Douglas Stofor, was found sleeping among moldy leaves a mile northwest of his home. He was unharmed.

Mrs. Harold Stofor said her son disappeared from a vineyard while she was picking grapes about 6 p.m. Neighbors helped the family hunt for an hour and a half, then officers were notified.

State police and the sheriff's office sent squad cars. At the same time townspeople turned out en masse. In the lead was Douglas' little cocker spaniel, Taffy.

About 10:30 Taffy found the trail. Frisking back and forth, wagging his tail frantically, he led a dozen men into a patch of woods. Five minutes later the child's jacket was found on the limb of a tree.

Taffy began circling a spot in the woods, barking. Roy Noble of Lawton dashed to the spot and picked up the child. Sleepy and hardly aware of what had happened, Douglas was rushed home to bed.

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### Raising Chick in Bottle Ruled as Not Being Cruel

TRENTON, N. J.—A feed salesman had not resorted to "abuse or unnecessary cruelty" when he raised a chicken in a five-gallon bottle, a New Jersey court has ruled.

Judge John C. Giordano was upheld in his opinion which reversed the conviction of George R. Richardson, of Pennington, N. J., in a township court. A fine of \$25 for alleged cruelty to animals was remitted.

Richardson had raised the chicken in the bottle to demonstrate the nutritional value of the feed he sold.

Chicago, with 34 railroads operating out of the city, is generally considered to be the world's greatest railway center.

### Sofi's Funeral Fizzles After Four Joyous Days

PITTSBURGH—There can be too much of a good thing—even a good funeral. Sofi Marlon wanted to make her exit last a full week, but her 500 friends and relatives had to give up after four days. Her funeral was a success, but the mourners just couldn't take any more.

Sofi, owner of a roadside inn and tourist cabins, left careful instructions that "everyone have a good time at my funeral. I don't want anyone to be sad."

She always gave big parties and she wanted her last one to be the biggest of all. She wanted it to last a week.

But her guests only lasted four days. They had eaten part of the eight lambs and three roasts.

The Gilbert and Sullivan operas are the most popular theatrical offerings of all time—as many as 100 different companies have been on the road simultaneously performing these satirical musical extravaganzas.

Some parts of Nebraska get colder than Alaska.

The practice of placing burning candles in the windows on Christmas eve is tied up with an Irish custom which holds the thought of the Christ child alone in the dark, needing light for his way.

An expert can determine the age of a fish by markings on the scales, roughly similar to tree-rings.

Six geese are required to provide a pound of goose feathers.



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## IS IT POSSIBLE ... ?

That another year has passed since the familiar sights of the Christmas season have greeted us at every turn? It seems that Old Santa just slips up on us a little faster each year, so we hasten to wish you a very Merry Christmas.

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M.D. Lifts Own Appendix,  
Back at Work in 2 Days

TELLURIDE, COL.,—Dr. George C. Balderston was back at work, two days after removing his own appendix.

While at the American Legion hospital Dr. Balderston got all the proper tools together and summoned a friend, Dr. Richard Gladman, to stand by in case anything went wrong.

Then, without using mirrors, Dr. Balderston went to work. In a sitting position he handled the entire operation on himself and after about 45 minutes he closed the wound with clamps and stitches.

The idea?  
"I wanted to get a first-hand reaction of a patient to local anesthesia. And I wanted to study post-operative effects."

He said he figured he'd proved patients should "get back on their feet as soon as possible after surgery."

He said he felt fine.

Report Made Gasoline  
Can Be Taken From Coal

WASHINGTON.—The federal bureau of mines has reported that gasoline can be made from coal to sell for only three or four cents a gallon more than natural gas.

The estimate was part of a report prepared by staff members of the bureau's coal-to-oil demonstration plant at Louisiana, Mo.

James Boyd, bureau director, said the report demonstrated that "unlimited quantities of premium gasoline now could be produced from coal at a cost that would increase the current service-station price by only three to four cents a gallon."

"Through the sale of by-products phenols, for which demand may be limited, a few initial plants could produce gasoline at an even lower cost," Boyd said.

The first motion picture "Oscar" was awarded to Janet Gaynor.

Red-Faced Detectives  
Nabbed as "Armed Men"

MT. VERNON, OHIO.—It was too hot for all this to happen, but it did—and the soaring mercury was the cause of it all.

Police here received a call that four armed men were heading North on Route 3 in an automobile. The state highway patrol, the sheriff's office and police went to work and set up a roadblock.

The sheriff of Columbiana county, headed for Ohio penitentiary with a prisoner, heard the police broadcast. He turned back to join the manhunt.

The roadblock worked, the "armed men" were halted—but they turned out to be four Cleveland detectives.

The detectives had stopped along the highway near Sunbury to remove their coats because of the heat—and someone saw their service revolvers.

There are about 85 million acres of forests in Texas.

Phone your news items to 282.

PEAK CLIMBER

Californian  
Holds Record

SANTA BARBARA, Calif.—A retired, real estate man is the first person ever to climb the 67 highest peaks in the United States.

He is John D. Graham, an athletic 53, who claimed the record after scaling North Palisade peak in California, and Grizzly peak in Colorado in a one-week expedition.

His goal for 15 years, Graham said in an interview, has been to conquer every U.S. mountain higher than 14,000 feet. He listed 67 such pinnacles. The World Almanac lists only 62.

He has clambered up all 14,000 footers in Colorado, California and Washington, Graham said, the only states in which the giants are located.

First Ascent in 1935

He tackled his first mountain during a Colorado vacation in 1935. It was small, but the experience was a challenge.

"It gave me an unusual feeling to be able to see such great distances and such inspiring scenery," he said.

Originally from New York city, Graham had a chance to hike to his heart's content when he moved to Colorado. He said that while he lived in Colorado Springs and Denver before World War II he became the eighth person to climb all 52 of the 14,000 foot peaks in that state.

"Mountain climbing finally gets to be a competition and a challenge," he said. "It's the same feeling of accomplishment you notice after a good score in golf. You match your skill, strength and endurance against the mountain, which can really throw out the obstacles."

North Palisade Toughest

His toughest ascent, Graham said, was his last—North Palisade, a 14,254 footer near Big Pine, Calif. He made it in July, before winter snow and ice had fully melted.

Approaching with his party from the north, he crossed the Palisade glacier, the most southerly active glacier in North America. They crossed the Bergschrund, a crevasse in the snow field at the head of the glacier, on an ice bridge. Using ropes and ice axes most of the way, it took them 10 hours to reach the summit.

The descent on the south side was slower. It was getting dark. Graham paused on a narrow cliffside ledge to fasten a rope. A second later he heard a roar and an avalanche of rock and snow tore down the mountain directly in front of him. A huge boulder whizzed by his head. The pause had saved his life.

Russians Claim It Was  
They Who Invented Tank

MOSCOW.—The Russians were at it again—claiming discoveries made by other countries. This time Pravda, official publication of the Soviet government, claimed the Russians invented the military tank a year and a half before the fighting machine appeared in Britain.

Not only that, was the claim, but Russians now have created tanks that have no equal anywhere in the world.

The articles were published as the Soviet Union celebrated "tank day." As a further observance of the day, all papers published large portraits of Prime Minister Stalin and the text of an order of the day by Alexander M. Vassilievsky, armed forces minister. This order demanded new successes in the development of armored and mechanized armies.

The article in Pravda, the Communist party's organ, was written by Semyon Dvich Bogdanov, marshal of armed forces. It said:

"The facts show that the first tank designs appeared in Russia considerably earlier than people started to work on these questions abroad, and the first models of Russian built tanks were constructed a year and a half earlier than similar machines appeared in Britain."

He said the date the first tank was made in Russia was May, 1915.

Ballroom Hula Requires  
No Grass Skirt Routine

CHICAGO, ILL.—In the first place, a ballroom hula doesn't require a grass skirt, yet, to be a big boy on a ballroom floor these days, one has to know how to do the hula. The Chicago national dancing master's association is authority for the statement.

Despite its name, the association is composed of hundreds of dancing instructors from all over the United States and Canada.

All of them are practicing what they call the "ballroom hula" so they can teach it to their customers. They don't say you have to wear a grass skirt to do it, but even in a nice, conservative suit, undulating hips are going to look odd if they are undulated by, say, a businessman who has eaten not wisely, but too well—and whose customers show it.

Howard Turner, of Tulsa, Okla., says jittershugging must still be contended with, only they are calling it "swing" again.

Ballroom devotees might as well be on the lookout for the "shuffle-hoat shuffle," the dancing masters say, but none had the courage to explain just what it is.

Many of the major sports employ the use of a ball. Football, baseball, tennis, and basketball are examples. But none is used in badminton, boxing, wrestling, fencing and ice hockey.

The word Bible comes from Byblos, the name of a town which exported papyrus (writing material made by pressing the stem of the papyrus plant) in ancient times.

At their drinking bouts the Thracians made a sport of hanging one of their members, who, if not alert enough to sever the rope while falling, would get his neck broken.

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### 'Possible Phenomenon'

SAN DIEGO, CALIF. — Marine Warrant Officer Rudolph R. Hendrick, postal officer of the Marine Corps recruit depot here, recently became the envy of the philatelic world when he discovered a "possible phenomenon" in the 1938 series of President James Monroe stamp.

While purchasing stamps for parcel post, Mr. Hendrick discovered a double overprint of two plate serial numbers. This unusual oddity is extremely scarce because the post office department destroys such errors in printing before the stamps are released for sale.

Only two full sheets with the double plate serial numbers remain in existence, one being in the possession of Mr. Hendrick. WO Hendrick's only comment was, "This sheet can be obtained at a price."

Herald Want Ads Pay Dividends.

## 'Dream Voyage' Ends For Boston Engineer

PITTSBURGH.—The Seven Seas, "dream ship" for the Frank Potter family, ended an 11-month, 6,000 mile voyage here. The trip was begun at Boston where Potter, a sales engineer, dreamed his dream of a sea voyage, and then made the dream come true.

On its journey from Boston, the vessel—a 46-foot schooner carrying two masts—followed the Atlantic coast around Florida, crossed the Gulf of Mexico and sailed up the Ohio and Mississippi rivers.

Potter bought the schooner at a Long Island dock. He sailed her up to Boston, where he quit his job as a sales engineer, packed his wife and children aboard and set sail for his home town of Beaver.

After a brief stopover in Pittsburgh, the Potters set sail again up the Ohio river to Beaver. There the Seven Seas was to be put up for sale.

"Dreams have to end sometime," Potter philosophized, "Now we expect to settle down and buy a home and I'll have to hunt a job."

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## First World School Is In Copenhagen, Honors Bernadotte

COPENHAGEN — Children lately began attending what is believed to be the first real "world school" which opened in Copenhagen recently. It is called the Bernadotte school, after the late Palestine mediator.

It aims at "training children to meet the needs of social life within their own country and qualify them to become active members of a world community."

Some 270 pupils attended the school on its opening day. They came from Britain, Bulgaria, Denmark, France, the Netherlands, China, Spain, Sweden, Czechoslovakia, the United States, Poland and South Africa.

Their parents are embassy officials, doctors, reporters and other professional and businessmen residents in Scandinavia. More than 200 other children were placed on a steadily growing waiting list.

The idea for starting such a school was born three years ago, in the fall of 1946, when G. J. Arvin principal of the Danish Teachers College, wrote an article entitled "The Danish School of Tomorrow" in a Danish educational journal. It was read by Mrs. Mary Stewart, widow of a United States professor, and she was profoundly impressed by it.

On Sept. 18, 1947, 600 persons from countries all over the world attended a meeting to discuss the idea and 400 children were informally registered as prospective pupils if, and when, the school opened.

For the next two years, preparations went ahead to find funds and teachers for the school. Funds were the main problem. But money was found and progress was made.

He said in an interview that the school, which is co-educational, would aim above all at a broad international culture. He said he hoped that the students and teachers of the Bernadotte school would be able to collaborate with other similar schools now being founded in Britain and the United States.

The school is open to children of all nationalities, regardless of race, religion or economic level.

Venom of the Black Widow Spider is 15 times as potent as that of the rattlesnake.

Phone your news items to 282.

## Oklahoma Orphans Are Assured Santa Will Grant Wishes

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla.—More than 3,000 Oklahoma orphans know there is a Santa Claus, and the time again is approaching when they'll write him letters listing the things they hope to find in their stockings on Christmas morning.

And there will be no disappointments, because Oklahoma has a Santa Claus commission which sees that the boys and girls in 25 state and private orphanages get what they ask for Christmas.

In a letter thanking Santa for a gift last Christmas, a small boy at the Goodland orphanage wrote: "All good gifts are from God and God gives you the presents to send to us."

Four men and a woman operate the commission established by the Oklahoma legislature in 1937. They are Frank Phillips, Bartlesville, chairman; W. G. Skelly, Tulsa, and Forrest E. Harper, Oklahoma City, members; Felix Simmons, Oklahoma City, treasurer, and Jessie M. Fountain, Oklahoma City, executive secretary.

The chairman and the two commission members are wealthy oilmen who get a big thrill serving on the board which makes the Christmas spirit the state's business.

Mrs. Fountain, known around the state capitol as "Mrs. Santa Claus," supervises the job of purchasing the many Christmas gifts and seeing that they are wrapped and addressed properly. Most of the requests are easy to fill, Mrs. Fountain said. She starts right in after one Christmas getting ready for the next.

## Man Sues Radio System To Get Elephant Prize

OXNARD, CALIF.—Any elephant given away on a radio quiz program would be a white elephant for most participants, but not for Mr. and Mrs. George King.

They filed suit against the Columbia broadcasting system for \$3,000 damages, charging that a promised Indian elephant had not been delivered.

King, an elephant trainer, says he has been waiting for the pachyderm since Mar. 17, 1948, when his wife won it at a quiz show.

What did he get? A case of peanuts, a suit of clothes and a ticket to a circus, where he could watch an elephant, says the complaint.

## Bathing Was Once Held To Be Crime In America

RICHMOND, VA.—Bathing, a daily habit with most Americans, was once a crime in some parts of this country.

Just 200 years ago laws in certain sections prohibited bathing or bathtubs in houses. Modern Americans accustomed to bathing in luxurious bathrooms may find it hard to believe that a home owner in colonial Virginia had to pay a \$30 annual "license" if he wanted a bathtub in his house or that jail sentences threatened Philadelphians who took more than one bath a month.

As late as 1845 some commun-

ities were still enacting laws to protect the people from "the dangers of bathing," especially in cold weather. The Early American bathroom, drab forerunner of today's model gleaming with chromium, clay tile and mirrors, seldom had space for a tub.

Ben Franklin helped overcome opposition to the bath. He designed a portable copper tub, tailored to his dimensions and shaped like a shoe. Water was heated from a fire in an opening at the heel. About 40 years after Franklin's death, Philadelphia had more than 1,500 bathtubs.

A grasshopper can jump 30-times its own length.



We're just making a last minute check to make sure that we overlook none in our sincere wishes for cheer with the coming Holiday.

## B. F. Stewart

GROCERY AND MARKET



## Hotel Milam

S. A. COTTLE, Owner and Manager



## Dusek Pharmacy

"WE HAVE IT"

Phone No. 2

Cameron, Texas

## City Cab Company

LONNIE ARMSTRONG



Edna and Alice, Texas, are named for daughters of a French Count who surveyed the first highways to Mexico.

Texas did not surrender in the Civil War until May 30—more than a month after General Lee surrendered.

Lemonville, Texas is in Orange County.

A total of 401 different telephone companies operate in Texas.

If opened to capacity, Texas oil wells would produce more oil in a day than the U. S. could use in a month.

One hundred Scotch workmen had to be imported to cut the granite chosen for the Texas Capitol building.

Four communities in Texas are named Concord.

#### Pep Tablet Turns Child Into Liveliest in Town

LEEDS, England. — For 27 hours, 2-year old Janet Wheelwright was the liveliest kid in town.

She couldn't go to sleep. Throughout the night she sang, danced and chattered. She played with every toy in the house. She built towering castles with her books. And still the sandman stayed away.

Exhausted, her mother took her to a doctor. Janet skipped and hopped the two miles. A sedative put her to sleep.

Later it was discovered Janet had chewed some army pep tablets belonging to her brother, Dennis, who had just returned home after service with the air force in the Middle East.

Without leaving Texas you can go to Holland, India, China, Ireland, Italy, Scotland and Egypt. They are all Texas towns.

#### 'Music Hath Charms' Is Believed by One SPCA

LOS ANGELES—They never had it so good, the poor creatures that human beings are apt to treat cruelly. In this city they are being showered with luxury. Soft music greets the ears of the inmates of the new animal shelter of the Los Angeles Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

The shelter also includes bunk beds, a diet kitchen and germicidal lamps. And a drinking fountain which dispenses fresh water to dogs on the street outside is labeled a "dog bar."

"Organ music is best suited for the dogs," said Alex Tilley, general manager of the society. "The selection must not hit high C or the dogs will begin howling. And Be-Bop—well, that's out, too."

#### Scientists Find Gumdrops Best Lure for Field Mice

BURLINGTON, Vt. — University of Vermont scientists say more mice can be caught with gum drops than with cheese—and they ought to know.

In their annual battle to keep field mice from establishing winter quarters in the science hall, the professors obtained a bag of gum drops.

The gum drops are used in ordinary traps. When the mice bite the candy it sticks in their teeth—and the traps snap shut on their necks.

One professor reported that 17 mice were killed in an hour with one gum drop.

Fifty-nine of Texas' 254 counties are larger than Rhode Island.

Most of the world's helium comes from the Texas Panhandle.

Working with explosives—statistics show—is the safest job in the United States; working on the farm the most dangerous.

Most land in Texas was originally measured in varas, equivalent to about 33 inches.

When buying toys for children remember that those of the constructive types are best—they develop the youngster's ingenuity.

Dalhart, Texas is nearer the State Capitals of New Mexico, Oklahoma, Colorado, Nebraska, and Wyoming than it is to the Texas Capital at Austin.

The wild boar has been revered from ancient times, and was especially honored at Christmastime, for having taught mankind the art of plowing by rooting into the ground with his tusks.

Merry  
Christmas

Good Luck  
Good Cheer  
and Many  
Happy Days

VALTER WHITE

ASSESSOR AND COLLECTOR TAXES  
MILAM COUNTY

SEASONS  
Greetings



We have found that  
friendship in business  
is an invaluable asset

and we are truly grateful  
for yours.

In appreciation

may we wish a most

pleasant Christmas

to you and those about you.

Retail Merchants  
Association

DELPHYA SCOTT, Secretary

GOOD

FRIENDS

... to Share

Our Christmas Joy

As you place a glistening holly wreath upon your door,  
gaily decorate your Christmas tree, hang up your sock on  
the mantel and follow the scores of other traditions of a  
genuinely happy Christmas, we want to share your good for-  
tune. You are our friends and we are happy in the knowl-  
edge that you are happy. May the Yuletide bring you joy.

NEWTON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL



### Two Illinois Men Certain To Remember These Ladies

LEWISTOWN, Ill. — Two Illinois men will long remember the girls they left behind them—in fact, they'll never hear the end of it.

J. D. Raker of Liverpool, Ill., brought the anecdote back from a recent western trip.

He and James Raker of Liverpool, Ill., stopped for gas and oil at Kingman, Ariz., one night. They got out for a smoke and a coke, leaving their wives in the car. Shortly afterward, they returned and started for Williams, Calif.

About 135 miles from Kingman, James Raker chattily addressed his wife. No answer. J. D. Raker then chanced conversation with HIS wife. Silence. A mutual double-take disclosed a uninhabited back seat.

Several hours and 135 miles later the men were rejoined with the by now extremely talkative girls they'd left behind them.

A gardner in baseball is an outfielder.

Underground in Texas are more than half the known U. S. oil reserves.

### Canada Gets U.S. Bootleg As Hooch Traffic Reverses

SAULT STE. MARIE — Bootleg liquor has changed its course between the United States and Canada. Once it was from Canada to the U. S., but now it's vice versa. And John Law, which once tried to deter its journey from north to south, is just as strict on its traffic the other way.

A mother of six children, Mrs. Corella LeSage, was arraigned here on charges of selling beer without a license. She admitted selling beer to Canadians who crossed the St. Mary's River.

She said most of these were from the Garden River Indian Reserve, near Sault, Ont. The river is only a few hundred feet wide at the place where Mrs. LeSage is charged with selling the beer.

Sheriff's officers raided her home and found six cases of beer on the premises. Mrs. LeSage said she bought beer for \$4 a case and sold it for \$6.

The granite of which the Texas Capitol is built came from Granite Mountain in Burnet County.

Ding Dong, Texas, is in Bell County.

### Czech Army Clamps Taboo On Pin-ups for Soldiers

PRAGUE. — The Czechoslovak army has outlawed the pin-up girl. No longer will the otherwise dreary barracks of the Soviet soldier be graced with pictures of the "wolf whistle induction" type.

Also, there will be no more talk or tales of fairies in the Czech schoolrooms.

The army decreed that, in place of pictures of shapely cuties wearing not much of anything, the soldiers should put up in their barracks "slogans, pictures of shock workers, and examples of our fighting tradition."

A shock worker is an eager beaver whose production is above average.

The army newspaper, Obrán Lidu, announcing the decree, said, "The bathing beauty can be a model for American and British soldiers, but not for the Czech soldiers of the peoples' democratic army."

The newspaper said that one "model company" had been demoted already because the men posted pictures of scantily clad women in the barracks.

More than 90 per cent of the polo ponies used in the U. S. come from Texas.

### Kansas Farm Rock Will Tell Earth's Size to Surveyors

LUCAS, KANS. — The United States coast and geodetic survey is using a rock in Frank Robinson's pasture near here to measure the size and shape of the earth.

The rock carries a small bronze plaque with a tiny triangle. Inside the triangle there is a dot. The tiny dot will tell the surveyors the size and shape of the entire world.

The current project is the second phase of the job. Last year, astronomical calculations were made by geodetic survey officials. This year they are making gravity checks, centering around the rock on Robinson's farm. The scientists will tie the two studies together and get a new determination of the earth's exact size.

Robinson's rock has been used before. For about 50 years, it has been the basis of every triangle drawn by surveyors over the whole United States. All buildings surveyed, from the White House to the barn on Old MacDonald's farm, are down on charts as being a certain distance from the rock.

When the marker was first put in place, in 1891, it was just one of many points of reference established across the nation. But it soon became the principal one, when geodetic survey officials decided it was the most nearly accurate of them all.

A plumb line at this point, they found, more than any of the others, would show the earth's natural gravity. Its accuracy was attributed to its location—on a barren hilltop, without great mountain ranges or bodies of water or land masses near by to deflect the plumb line.

It became virtually the geodetic center of the nation. And, in 1913, the rock extended its importance beyond the border of the United States. Canada and Mexico accorded it recognition as the basis of their surveys, too. So, for all intents and purposes, it became the geodetic center of the whole North American continent.

Gradually, it extended its sphere of geodetic influence around the world. More and more nations adopted it as the point of reference for surveys, until now a maze of triangles, linking most of the earth's surface, are based on the dot in the triangle on the plaque on the rock on the farm in Kansas.

Exemption from attachment for debt in Texas includes cemetery lots, 20 hogs, 20 sheep, 5 cows and the family library.

### Crippled Farmer Defrauded By Carnival Soothsayer

GREEN BAY, WIS.—The stories of persons fleeced of savings while on fruitless search for treasure, or to escape witchlike curses, continued to increase.

The latest episode was reported by a 70-year old crippled farmer who said he had been defrauded of his life savings in a futile hunt for "buried treasure" on his land. He estimated his loss as approximately \$2,000.

He swore out a complaint in municipal court against a woman. He said the only name she gave him was that of "Mary." She told his fortune, he said.

He told police that he met the woman at a carnival. She asked him if he ever saw lights over his farm. Sure 'nough, he said, he did.

"That means buried treasure," she said. He paid her \$1,400, he reported, to hunt for treasure, \$500 to "find the exact location," and \$250 to remove the "curse" which she said prevented discovery.

"Mary" promised to return in three weeks—but she didn't.

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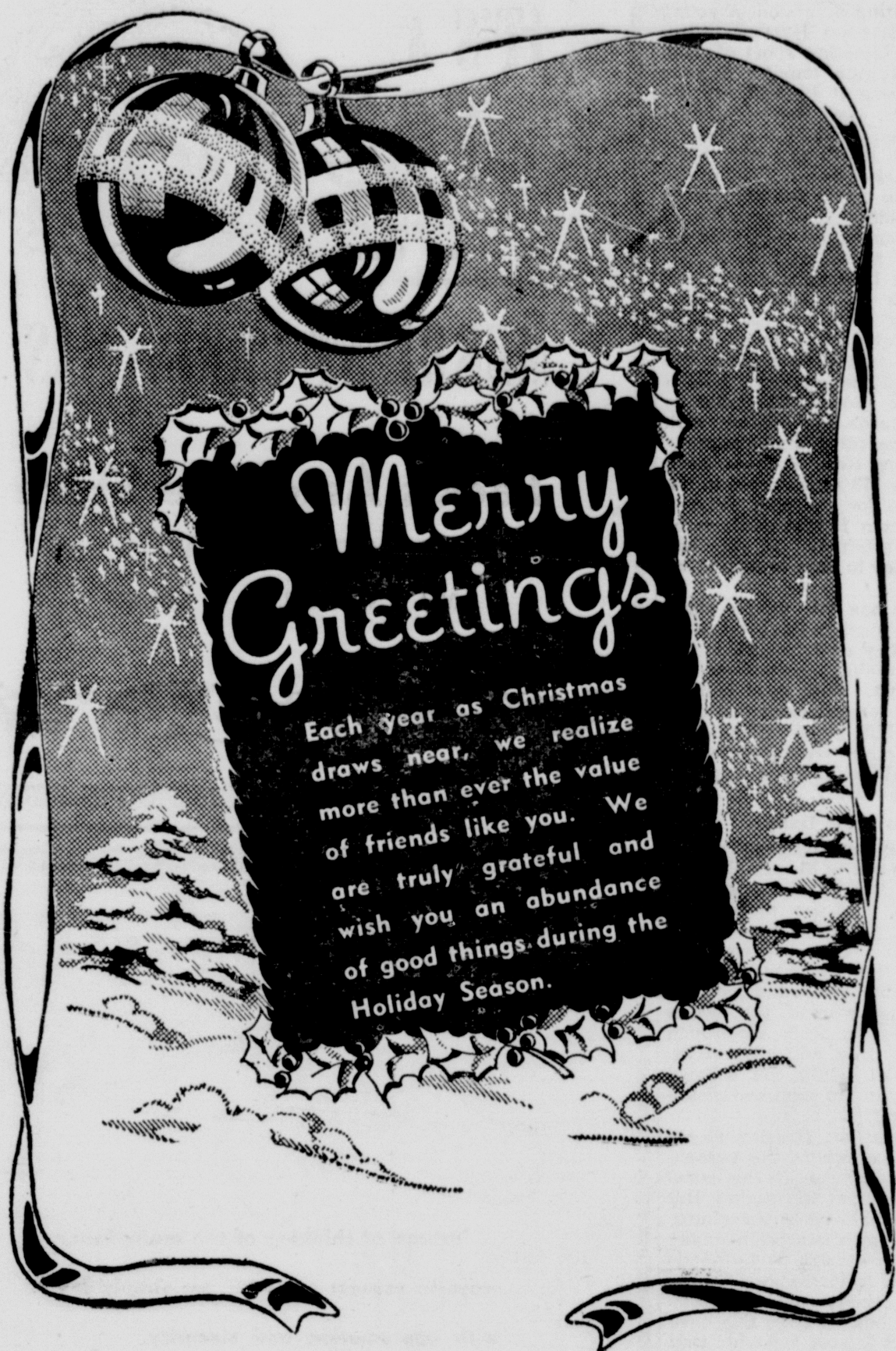
### Peanut Butch Profits Much By Fair-Goers' Carelessness

ZANESVILLE, Ohio — County fair-goers are a careless lot, and that's perfectly all right with Earl Kibble, bewhiskered peanut butcher who works various county fair grounds.

Kibble is an early riser, not because he expects to sell peanuts before breakfast, but because it's a good time to search for coins which have been dropped carelessly the night before.

He scours the fairgrounds thoroughly, and is seldom disappointed. He reports finding \$10.95 at Urbana, \$5.24 at Wilmington, and \$20.50 at Charleston, W. Va.

Except that his beard is too dark, Kibble reminds one of Santa Claus, which is not strange, because he lets his beard grow all year in order to play Santa for the children of his neighborhood in Reedsville, Ohio. He shaves once each year—on New Year's day.



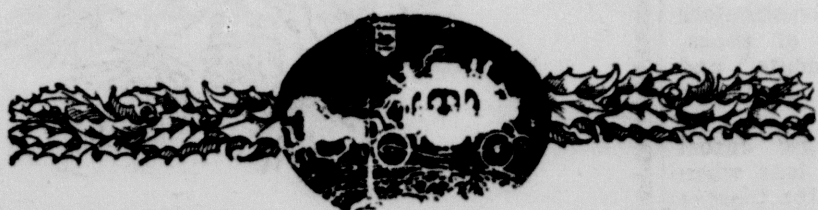
## Temple Life Insurance Co.

TEMPLE, TEXAS

VERNON ROBERTS, President

WALTER B. SMITH, Secretary

OVER \$9,000,000.00 INSURANCE IN FORCE



## KYLE VICK

State Senator, 13th District





## LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:

We are waiting for you already. I hope you will be glad to come to visit us again at Marak. We were good children this year. Please bring me a bouncing ball and a black board. Good bye dear Santa. Thank you.

Your friend,  
BERNICE VANZA

Dear Santa:

Everyone is wishing for something at Christmas time. I also wish for something I wish for a BB gun and ball and bat. I like to play ball very much. I wish you could play with us too. I am sure you could hit the ball far.

NEWTON BARTA

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy five years old. I have a little sister three years old. We have been a good little boy and girl. Please bring me a pair of blue jeans, BB gun, electric train, a luggage carrier for my bicycle and a basket. Bring my little sister a doll baby, doll stroller and some dishes. We would like some fruits and nuts also.

Love,  
BILLY HAWKES

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Dear Santa:

Please bring Patsy an evening dress. Red or Green. Some gowns for Patsy and Susie. A tricycle with a bell that rings. Bring Bubba a box of cookies. Bring mamma a coffee table and daddy a suit.

SANDRA BASKIN

Dear Santa:

Please send me one box of double bubble to chew in English II, third period, and a box of cigars for Julius Caesar.

Yours truly,  
C. R.

Dear Santa:

I want a cub scout suit. A pair of ear phones. I want a nice clock and a BB pistol. Santa you can get these things at Western Auto.

Love,  
J. TODD LAWRENCE

A single bacterium weighs about three two-hundred billionths of a grain.

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## ANGEL FISH

### Helen Lures New Yorkers

NEW YORK. — "Where's your baggage?" asked the clerk behind the ticket counter at LaGuardia Field's overseas terminal recently. He was speaking to four New York businessmen checking in for Pan American airway's morning flight to Bermuda.

"Here it is," they chorused, each waving a pair of bathing trunks in the chap's face. "We're just going down to see Helen. We'll be back on tonight's Clipper."

"Helen must be an extraordinary woman," thought the clerk. But he was wrong. Helen is a fish, not an ordinary fish but a lovely angel fish of iridescent blue with extended fins that trail behind her like gay yellow streamers. Her outstanding attribute is her liking for people. With her friend, Ruth, and a host of yellow grunts, breems and gray snappers, she receives callers nearly every day at her home on a coral reef 15 feet below the ocean level.

#### Fascinating Diversion

Visiting these residents of the briny deep in their submarine homes is Bermuda's newest and most fascinating diversion. A young American, Bronson Hartley, introduced the fascinating sport of deep sea diving to the tourists a year ago after doing it himself for the past 18 years. Now the vacationist who is bored with the ordinary pleasures of swimming and bicycling can make like a fish at the bottom of the ocean for a mere \$5 and the trouble of donning a diving helmet and sneakers—furnished by Hartley—and a bathing suit.

In the past 12 months, more than 1,000 persons — including a five-year-old boy and an 85-year-old lady—have taken Hartley's underwater sight-seeing tour. It's the rage with college students, honeymooners and jokers who like to write post cards underwater with ball point pens. More than one party of high living New Yorkers have Clipped the 773 miles down to the Coral Islands for the sole purpose of viewing them 15 feet underwater and last Christmas, 24 persons begged Hartley in vain to take them down.

So popular has this unique sport become that tourists have taken to phoning Hartley at 6:00 a.m. in the morning to make reservations for the day's trips. With good humor, he added the longest extension cord he could find to his telephone and carries it with him from bedroom to bath to breakfast making appointments all the way.

#### Two Trips Daily

Twice a day—morning and afternoon—he sets out in his small cabin cruiser with his faithful assistant, Roy Darrell, and no more than eight guests. While the boat moves out through the brilliant green water of Flatts, Hartley briefs his passengers on what to do and look for while strolling around the ocean floor and how to walk ski-crouch fashion, knees bent and body erect. One must tread lightly, too, to keep from plowing up the sand and clouding the water.

In calm weather, Hartley steers out to the ocean where the passengers descend to one of the coral reefs that surround Bermuda. But in rough weather—when the churning waves of the ocean might make his passengers seasick — he heads for a quiet bay in Harrington Sound. High bluffs fringed with hibiscus and oleander bushes edge this cove and so protect it from the wind that Hartley was able to take a party down there during the last hurricane.

#### Robin Hood Statue Planned in England

NOTTINGHAM, ENGLAND. — Robin Hood may return to Sherwood forest if a Nottingham industrialist, Phillip E. F. Clay, has his way.

In Robin Hood's own town, where the outlaw and his merry men in Lincoln green once shattered the nerves of the high sheriff, Clay has offered the city council 5,000 pounds (about \$20,000), and more, if necessary, to erect a statue of the man who "stole from the rich and gave to the poor."

City council has accepted the gift, and now the town is split over the location of the statue. The raging question is: should Robin stand in Nottingham itself or out in one of the few remaining glades of Sherwood forest? A solution is expected soon.

Clay's gesture was timed to coincide with Nottingham's quinquenary week.

#### Watchdog Takes It Easy As Burglar Loots Room

HOLLYWOOD.—A burglar who took her watchdog into the apartment with him, stole more than \$30,000 in jewels from actress Lois Andrews, she told police.

Miss Andrews told investigators 230 dresses, 193 pairs of shoes, \$20,000 worth of fur coats, and \$10,000 worth of rare perfumes were not disturbed.

The ex-wife of Georgie Jessel said she discovered the loss when she returned home from the theater early today. Curled up comfortably in a chair was her pet boxer, Pub. She had left him tethered in his doghouse in the backyard.



CHRISTMAS

# Greetings

Grady Allen

DISTRICT CLERK, MILAM COUNTY

## IT'S A FACT

That we wish each and all of our friends and customers the very



## MERRIEST CHRISTMAS

Lack's Associate Store

CAMERON, TEXAS

MR. AND MRS. W. C. ALLEN



Instead of thinking of the many fancy

ways to express our wish, we simply say

with appreciation and sincerity,

MERRY CHRISTMAS

## Central Freight Lines

TOM WARDLAW, Manager

## Mack's Oil Company

Highway 77 and 36 at the Underpass

MILAM COUNTY DISTRIBUTORS FOR PHILLIPS 66

CAMERON, TEXAS



## GREETINGS NEIGHBOR!



## Friendly Wishes for CHRISTMAS



## Buckhorn Cafe and Bar



### Infantryman Saves Life Of Buddy as 'Chute Fails

NORFOLK, Va.—An airborne infantryman saved the life of a fellow-soldier in parachute jumps during an assault landing exercise at Camp Pendleton, Va.

The full-scale amphibious assault was the final phase of training here for some 880 West Point cadets and Annapolis midshipmen.

Pfc. Eugene F. Cushing, Modesto, Calif., was credited with saving the life of Pfc. Richard Rusk, Independence, Mo. Private Rusk's chute collided with that of Private Cushing and collapsed in the fall. But Cushing grabbed his companion's sagging chute and the two men rode down together on Cushing's parachute.

A Silkworm is not a worm.

### Percentages Scrambled In California Election

SAN CARLOS, CAL.—Residents of San Carlos figured either there were some ballot-counting shenanigans or statistics can't be trusted.

In a petition circulated to find out whether residents favored or opposed new sidewalks, 51 per cent of the population said "Yes," 51 per cent said "No."

The uproar caused City Clerk Beatrice Roberts to resign and Chief of Police Ed Wheeler was threatened with a lawsuit for false arrest for trying to eject from the city council a leader of the anti-sidewalk movement.

America's greatest inventor, Thomas Edison, attended school for only three months.

### First Incubator Baby Asks It as Anniversary Present

CHICAGO—Perlee Mathers, who was America's first incubator baby, would like to have that incubator for his 59th birthday.

The incubator, first ever used in this country, saved Mather's life after he was born in 1890. At birth, he weighed only one pound and was only eight inches long.

Just as doctors despaired of keeping him alive, the incubator he now wants arrived in New York from France.

The incubator disappeared, however, after having been shown at the Columbian Exposition here in 1893 and later at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington.

The Midland County Courthouse once sold for \$1.



### LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:

We are waiting for you. I hope you will be glad to come visit us again at Marak. Please bring me a billfold and a baseball and bat. I like to play baseball with all the girls and boys. We have much fun in school when we play ball. Good bye dear Santa. Thank you. Your friend.

CECILIA HUBNIK

Dear Santa:

We wish for you to come to see us again. Be sure you come and bring everyone something even to Father Ben Holub. He would like to get something too. I would like a tricycle if you will have one in your big sack. Thank you.

ELIZABETH HROMCIK

Dear Santa:

This year I picked much cotton, so I would like for you to bring me something. I would like a bicycle and a black board. My little sister wishes for a rubber ball and my little brother a tricycle. We thank you.

STEVE DOHNALIK

Dear Santa:

How are you? I hope you are fine and well to make a trip way over here. Do you have your reindeer and boots ready Santa? I hope you will be ready in time with a big bag of things for us. We are anxious to see your big sack. I hope it will be very full. Please bring me some house shoes, baseball and bat, and a little boat and rubber ball for my brother Steve. Thank you.

CATHERINE HUBNIK

Dear Santa:

I was a good boy this year. Please bring me a toy barn to play with. I like to play farm. Merry Christmas to you, Santa Good bye.

TOMMY KOSTROUN

Dear Santa:

I am sending this letter to you and I want a gun.

Yours truly,

PETE TOMEZ

Dear Santa:

Please send me a football.

Yours truly,

ANDREW TOMEZ, Jr.

Dear Santa:

This year I wish for a Rosary, and a rubber doll with moline hair. I will be satisfied though with what you will bring me. I will be glad to see you in your red suit and big black boots. Do not forget your boots for it might rain here at Marak at Christmas. So come and also listen to our singing. We know a nice song about you. Good bye. Thank you.

BERTHA HORELICA

Dear Santa:

I am sending this letter to let you know I want a doll and a buggy.

Yours truly,

PATSY TOMEZ

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Dear Santa:

Is it very cold where you live? It is not very cold here, yet, so come to see us with your big sack. We will help you carry it from your sled. Be sure and come. Please bring me a black board and a bouncing ball. I thank you.

LILLIAN KOSTROUN

Dear Santa:

Please come again and bring me a BB gun and a baseball and a water gun. My little sister would like a doll and my mother and father some fruit. Thank you. Will see you soon.

JOE HROMCIK

Dear Santa:

Please bring me one table, two chairs, one small marble machine, one electric train, toy sewing machine, a new basket, lights for my bicycle. Some cooking dishes and a toy typing machine.

A LITTLE GIRL



From us to you, sincere good wishes for a Happy Yuletide!

**Corner Cafe**  
RUTH AND LLOYD STALEY

MERRY Christmas

We are thinking of you at Christmastime and wishing you

*Good Luck*  
in all you do

**Fidelity Abstract Company**  
CAMERON, TEXAS



We like to look back over the past twelve months on Christmas morning. It seems to accentuate the passing of another year, a year of work made a pleasure by associating with and serving people like you. We of this organization wish you a genuine Greeting of Cheer for the Holidays.

**Cheeve's Brothers**

"On The Square"

Cameron, Texas



To remember folks like you with an earnest wish for your well-being and happiness, is one of the delightful privileges we have at Christmastime.

**Moseley Electric Service**

Home of General Electric Appliances

"WHAT MOST WOMEN WANT MOST"





# From Your Newspaper

For 90 years . . . far longer than any other newspaper in Milam County, and well up with the veterans in Texas . . . The Herald has labored.

If we have succeeded in the mission of Good Journalism in 1949, we have been compensated well for the sacrifices we have made.

Your generous support tells us you like the kind of newspaper The Herald prints every week. We salute you again this Christmas and wish you a Prosperous New Year.

Christmas for your newspaper and those who print it is no different in meaning than to any other American business institution.

Christmas brings an atmosphere in which we can best emphasize how grateful we are that we have so many friends and readers; that in the course of the year we have enjoyed our full share of your patronage and support.

American Journalism is unique. To bring the news and to bring it truthfully, shorn of censorship, political or commercial, has always been and will continue to be the policy of The Herald.

Everything about The Herald is American . . . its personnel . . . its policy and aims. We fight every day for Liberty and for Freedom to keep open the avenues of untrammelled expression that our people may know the Truth . . . for Truth makes men Free in the world.



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## Pipe-Hanger

Man Aloft Nine Hours

NEW YORK.—Fifty-two year old Lawrence Sandusky clung dangerously to a pipe 35 feet above the ground for almost nine hours after his leg was caught between a drain pipe and the building.

He was released by police and his only injury was a cut on his left leg which was treated by an ambulance surgeon.

Sandusky told the police that he returned home about 11 at night and found he had lost his keys. He decided not to awaken his wife or the neighbors and went to the roof and lowered himself on the heavy drain pipe in the rear of the building, a four-story structure.

Sandusky said he had just reached the third floor, on which his apartment is located, when his leg became caught in the bracket that connects the drain pipe with the building. He shouted for help but there was no response.

Intermittently, Sandusky said, he called for help in the early morning hours, but was unable to arouse anyone.



## LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:

This is my first year in school. I like to go to school. We study and play at recess. We have many things to play with. Please bring me a tinker toy set. Thank you.

PHILIP KOSTROUN

Dear Santa:

Can you come to see us this year? Please come for sure, rain or shine to Marak and bring me a bicycle. I like to ride a bicycle. Thank you.

GLORIA ANN MARAK

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like for you to bring me a Toni doll and a car seat. A pink night gown and a ring. I would like for my mother to have a new slip and I would like for my Daddy to have a new golf bag. For my grandmother to have a new pin. I would like to have a brownie scout tooth brush. For my sister to have a brownie tooth brush too. I love you Santa Claus. For Betsy Bowman to have a little dress

Love,  
LAURA SWIFT.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a black board and handkerchiefs this year. I like to write on a black board. I will practice my writing so I can write better next year. Thank you.

EVELYN VANZA

Dear Santa:

Last year you brought me nice play dishes. This year I wish for you to bring me a black board and a ball and bat. We girls play ball too. I like to play with other girls and boys. Come to see us and play with us. Your friend.

GENEVIEVE KOSTROUN

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Dear Santa:

We are waiting for you Santa for a long time. I shall be very happy to see you again. Please come and bring me a bicycle and a little truck to play with. I thank you.

JERRY KOSTROUN

Dear Santa:

How are you this year? I hope you are well enough to make a trip here to Marak. We are waiting for you. Please bring me a black board and a tricycle for my brother, Philip. I thank you. With love,

PAULINE HUBNIK

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a ball and a bat. We little tots play ball too. All of us play ball in school, too. Good bye. Thank you.

GEORGIA ANN HUBNIK

Dear Santa:

This year I am wishing for a volley ball and a bicycle for Christmas. I will be glad to see you again with your big bag. Thank you.

ALICE DOHNALIK

Dear Santa:

Will you please bring me a tinker toy set for Christmas. Also bring something for my sisters and brother and my parents. Good bye. Thank you.

JAMES BARTA

Dear Santa:

Do you still remember us from last year? We were very glad that you did not forget us last Christmas. Please come again and bring me a bicycle and a bat and ball. Many thanks.

FRANKLIN MARAK

Dear Santa:

Please dear Santa bring me a foot ball for Christmas. I like to play ball in school and at home. We have much fun in playing. Come and play with us too. Santa I am sure you are a good ball player. I thank you.

STEVE VANSA

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a tricycle and a little wagon to play with. I like to play. So please come with your nice toys and leave the switch at home. Thank you.

WILLIAM SPACEK

Dear Santa:

I wish for a bicycle a BB gun and a black board to practice writing, spelling and Arithmetic on. I wish to know more than I do. Good bye Santa.

JOHNNIE SPACEK

## Fake Atomic Energy Panaceas Peddled By Quack Doctors

WASHINGTON.—Widespread belief that atomic energy can work miracles in medicine has led to a rich harvest for quacks peddling panaceas, according to officials of the federal food and drug administration.

The administration's inspectors trying to protect the public from "magic cures" that are either useless or downright dangerous, have been kept busy by a boom in weirdly-named medicines and fantastic-looking gadgets that deceive the gullible by borrowing some of the wonder-words from the new vocabulary of nuclear fission.

They have seized, for example, articles branded as radio-active salts, U-235 drinking water, an atomic shin-plaster, and a device sold briskly at \$50 each on the claim that it emitted "Z-rays" which would lengthen life by expanding the "hydrogen atoms" of the body.

Almost everyone has read about the results that medical science has achieved, and expects to achieve, with the radioactive isotopes produced in the atomic furnace at Oak Ridge, Tenn.

But unfortunately, officials say, too many people seem not to realize that this truly sensational new weapon against disease can be entrusted to only the most highly-qualified doctors, hospitals and research institutions. Wrongly used, radioactivity is not a healer but a killer.

That is why federal inspectors are genuinely relieved when they find that a quack "atomic" cure is merely worthless.

While many of the panaceas that, according to the sellers, relieve pain by invisible radiation are simply fraudulent, there have been a few cases in which the food and drug administration has found to its horror that a preparation, sold without a doctor's prescription and taken without supervision, really was dangerously radioactive.

## Navy's Only Ready Fleet Is Mediterranean Force

WASHINGTON.—The navy's biggest continuous operation on the high seas today is its Mediterranean force, called the sixth task fleet.

It is the only United States fleet permanently organized, fully manned and ready to fight. The rest of the navy's 682 active ships are scattered, most of them only at peacetime strength.

The Mediterranean fleet has a sharp significance—political, diplomatic and military. And it is doing things to the people of the Mediterranean and the men of the U. S. navy—making them friendlier, more understanding and more respectful toward one another.

The United States has had a strong fleet in the Mediterranean Sea since the 1942 invasion of North Africa. It has had a few ships there off and on for 150 years.

Adm. Richard L. Conolly, at the head of the U. S. navy operations in that part of the world, says a strong American fleet should be kept in the Mediterranean permanently. His title is commander-in-chief, U. S. naval force, eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean.

At his headquarters in London he recently gave his views to this reporter and three other newspapermen who visited him and later sailed with the Mediterranean fleet on maneuvers.

"We are now a Mediterranean power," said Conolly. "By having our fleet there, we are demonstrating our interest in the Mediterranean countries. The Mediterranean fleet has already stiffened the determination of the Greeks and Turks to maintain their independence."

The navy's official statement of reasons for keeping naval units in the eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean says they are there: "(1)—To support the allied occupation forces and the allied military government . . . (2)—To protect U. S. interests and support U. S. policies in the areas."



## ROCKDALE STATE BANK

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To all, on Christmas Day!

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So we take our cue from Santa  
To send greetings on to you!

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The United States has been without a vice-president 13 times—seven vice-presidents succeeded to the presidency, seven other vice-presidents died in office, and one, Calhoun, resigned.

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PAINTS

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### Invisible Fingerprints Plus Psychology Frustrate Forgers

CHICAGO—Crooks won't willingly leave their fingerprints—not even invisible ones; but invisible fingerprints teamed up with psychology are being used by businessmen throughout the country as a two-edged weapon against forgery, a \$300-million dollar drain annually on American business.

This is how the system works: A stranger seeking to cash a check is asked to put his thumbprint in invisible ink on the back of the check.

If the check clears the print remains invisible. But if the check bounces, it is sent to the office of the Canler corp. and developed by a special solution into a visible print.

The resulting visible print is positive identification, which can be checked against local police files or the more than 112 million prints in the FBI files at Washington.

So successful has the system been in discouraging forgeries, said J. W. Field, spokesman for the corporation, that it has not yet been necessary to refer a print to the FBI.

Field said that of the millions of checks cashed under the invisible print system, only 20 were forgeries. Identification was established through local police fingerprint files and 15 arrests have been made so far.

By far, the bulk of the bad checks are for reasons of insufficient funds or closed accounts.

The invisible fingerprinting service is the brainchild of Elwood Brooks, president of the Central Bank & Trust co. of Denver and former official of the American bankers association.

### Mystery Mist Wreaks Havoc As Scientists Ponder Cause

TILGHMAN, Md. — Auto paint was eaten away, holes were burned in clothes on the wash lines, and stone houses were discolored. The people of the town were puzzled over the "mystery mist" that was wreaking this havoc. Complaints from residents led to an investigation.

There were several theories. Fertilizer fumes, water cabbages, other things were blamed. Dr. Lewis S. Welty, county medical examiner, explained his water cabbage theory thus:

When the big leaves of the plant rot, they give off hydrogen sulphide fumes. If enough hydrogen sulphide gets into the air and there is a heavy dew, the hydrogen sulphide may dissolve in the dew drops and form sulphur dioxide. That in turn becomes sulphurous acid. The acid does the dirty work.

Maryland state police at nearby Eaton said they had received a dozen complaints.

### If Teeth Fit the Wearer, They're His, Judge Rules

OKLAHOMA CITY—If a pair of false teeth fit, then they must belong to the wearer. That was the logic in a decision by a peace justice here in a case involving ownership of the false choppers.

Fred Humphrey, 15, clamped his jaws firmly when he heard the decision of Justice Willis Stark.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ledick, who claimed the teeth in a replevin action, appeared somewhat down in the mouth at the ruling.

The Ledicks attempted to sell Humphrey the teeth last month. Humphrey suggested he try them on for size. He did, and wouldn't give 'em up.

"They're mine," he said. Humphrey told Stark today his teeth were stolen from his room last month. A few days later, he said, the Ledicks—who are neighbors—tried to sell him his own biters for \$50. He told Justice Stark he picked them out of a dozen sets—"I know my own teeth."

Dr. John A. Lewis, who made the teeth, supported Humphrey's claims to ownership.

"They're his teeth or he couldn't wear them," the dentist said. "Nobody can wear anybody else's teeth."

Dr. Lewis qualified as an expert on false uppers and lowers. He wears them himself. The judge doesn't, but took Dr. Lewis's word for it.

"If they're his teeth, we'll have to let him keep them," he ruled.

### Uranium Found in Washington, But Too Little, Too Light

WASHINGTON — Uranium has been found, a few hundred pounds from the White House and 200 feet straight up.

Indications of presence of the ore were detected by a Geiger counter carried by a prospecting reporter. The counter stepped up its ticking briskly when placed near granite blocks which support a memorial stone from Colorado in the 555-foot high Washington monument. There's raw uranium there, experts said, but not enough to be valuable or dangerous.

# A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS



Ed Gunn

COUNTY ATTORNEY, MILAM COUNTY



Gift-giving, family fun and love . . . these are the things a Christmas is made of . . . To you . . . and you . . . and you—a Happy Holiday with all the trimmings to make it perfect!

The years come and go . . . and more and more comes the realization . . . of what your loyalty and confidence means to us . . . It is a genuine pleasure to say "Merry Christmas" to friends like you.

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# A CHRISTMAS

## GENUINE HAPPINESS

Gratefully and sincerely we express to  
you our best wishes for the  
Christmas season. We are indeed thankful  
for the friendships  
of those about us and the  
happiness that has come to us as a  
result of these associations.  
May this Christmas favor you with a season  
of genuine happiness and content.

Mary Belle Batte  
Mrs. Joe Hickman



## Research Plan Opens New Fight On Schizophrenia

NEW YORK—A comprehensive research program and important new discoveries are helping mankind's conquest of schizophrenia. Details have been made public by Dr. Nolan D. C. Lewis, field director of the study of the mental ailment being made by the supreme council of the Scottish Rites Masons at a cost of \$750,000.

This all-inclusive study, believed to be the first of its kind, was summed up by Dr. Lewis as offering "many of the missing pieces of the puzzle that is schizophrenia." "This disorder known as schizophrenia is like a gigantic jigsaw puzzle with pieces missing," he said. "However, many of them have been found and fitted together and the missing ones are becoming fewer."

### Study Infants

The researchers struck at schizophrenia from all possible directions. They studied the infant, the nursery school child, the adolescent and the aged. They looked at the parents, especially the mothers, of schizophrenics, and at the children of psychotic parents. They tried to find the answer to the question: "What type of person is likely to succumb to schizophrenia?"

They studied the effect of physical treatment, such as shock and insulin on patients, and of psychological treatment, such as group therapy. They analyzed what bodily changes took place during the illness.

These projects, plus the 226 articles, monographs and books that the money helped to finance, were described as representing a program that isolated the illness and "brought all the principal issues involved into a clear focus."

The seriousness of this illness is shown, by the fact that "in the civilian population each year thousands of unsuspecting souls are struck down suddenly by the living death known as schizophrenia, which is particularly cruel because its victims are often children and adolescents."

### Terrifying Thought

The mentally ill now occupy more than 50 per cent of the nation's hospital beds and schizophrenia accounts for the largest percentage of those who are mentally ill, he pointed out.

"It is terrifying that we have been able to predict that next year so many thousands of persons will start their weary march to the mental hospitals and that we are powerless to halt them and in most cases to help them."

"We have not known why certain people break down in the struggle to survive in this uncertain world—why they must literally 'go out of their wits' to escape its pain."

The groundwork for the program was laid down fifteen years ago by Dr. Lewis, who visited more than 200 laboratories, hospitals and other scientific centers and read hundreds of scientific papers, after which he wrote a book called "Research in Dementia Praecox" (now known as schizophrenia).

### Lost: Three Acres Land In Bridgewater Township

SOMERVILLE, N. J. — Three acres of land are lost on either First Mountain or Second Mountain of the Watchung range, officials of Bridgewater township believe. Taxes are paid on the plot every year, although no one knows where it is.

William H. Cunningham, township engineer, dug up an old description that seemed to indicate that the Shangri-La might be part of the old Teebles property.

"Trouble is," he said, "that the Teebles departed long ago, leaving no heirs, assigns or successor. The Teebles were one of the old first families around here and they had quite a large holding. This three acres was probably part of it, but we don't know which part. Can't seem to find out, either."

Nominal taxes have been paid on the three acres for the last forty-one years and the present owners are Mr. and Mrs. Walter Mills of Astoria, L. I. They started the Bridgewater Township committee on a search for the land by saying that they would like to look at it after all these years.

James J. Cunningham, tax collector for the township, said his records showed that the property was owned by Walter Martini, care of Mrs. E. Mills, Astoria. Collector Cunningham, unrelated to Engineer Cunningham, said Mr. Martini was the first husband of the present Mrs. Mills. The tract measures 100 by 1,400 feet, but the deed gives no "place of beginning." The deed was executed in 1908.

For the last few years the township has been trying to get up a tax map, without making much headway. If the missing three acres is not located by the time the map is finished, it may turn up purely through the elimination of identified property. Collector Cunningham said that might take a long time, though. He expects to continue levying taxes on the land while he tries to find it.

### Winged Visitor to Chicago Surprises Ornithologists

CHICAGO—A winged visitor to Chicago sent members of the city's ornithological society scurrying to their reference books. What they found there was hard to believe, but seven of them verified that they had seen a large-billed tern, a native of South America's inland rivers.

Emmett R. Blake, assistant curator of birds at the Chicago natural history museum, reported the closest a large-billed tern ever got to Chicago before was some years ago when one was spotted in the West Indies.

The species is a water bird, about 15 inches long, with a heavy chrome-yellow bill, olive feet and legs, and a square tail.

It was once against the law for the people in Massachusetts to ride a train on Sunday, except to go to church.

Joints made with animal glue have a tensile strength of 5,000 pounds per square inch—twice as strong as most woods.

The Rio Grande River is about 1,569 miles long.

Popecorn pops because there is moisture trapped in the kernels and as it converts into steam the kernels explode.

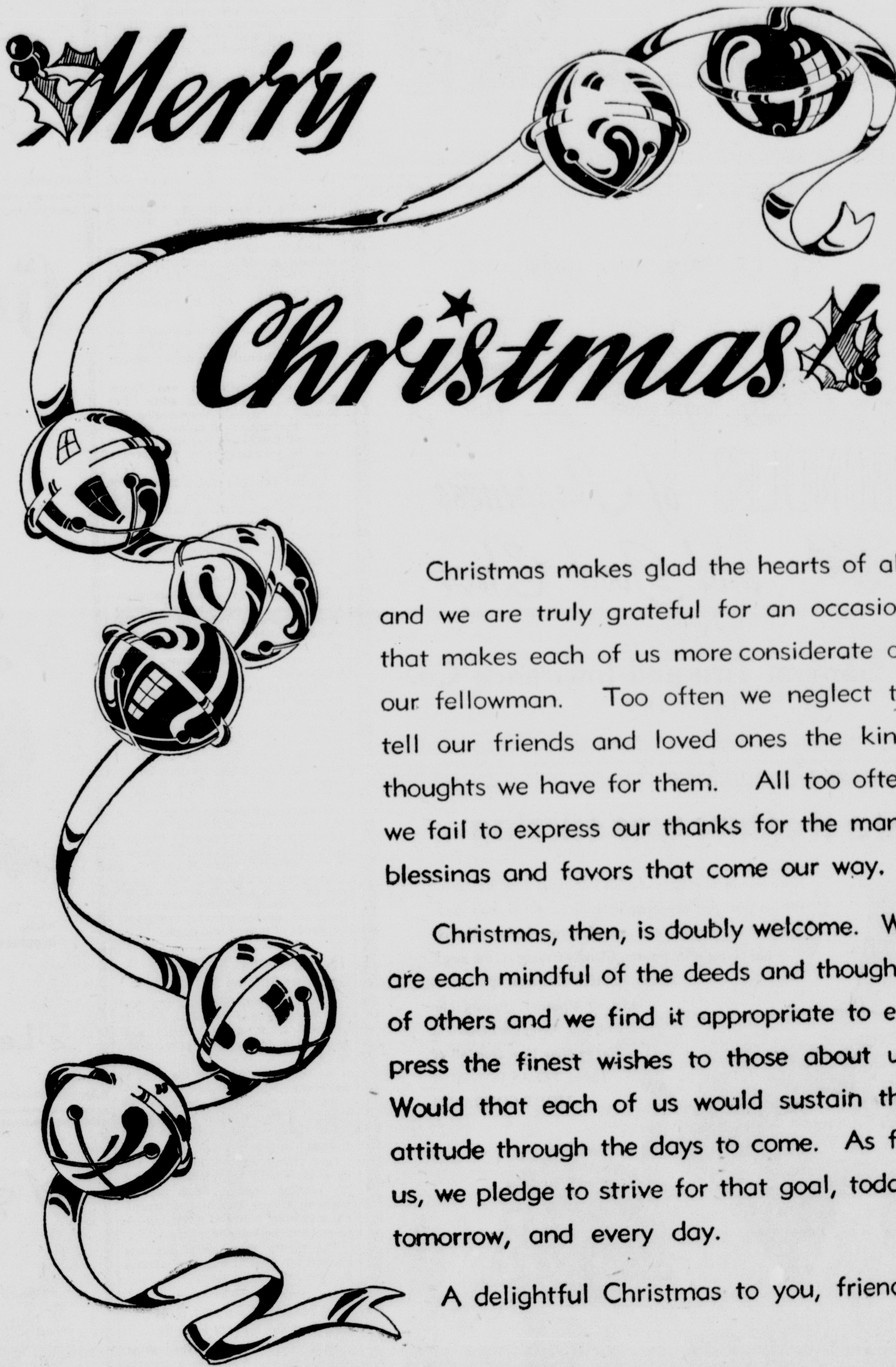
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Christmas makes glad the hearts of all and we are truly grateful for an occasion that makes each of us more considerate of our fellowman. Too often we neglect to tell our friends and loved ones the kind thoughts we have for them. All too often we fail to express our thanks for the many blessings and favors that come our way.

Christmas, then, is doubly welcome. We are each mindful of the deeds and thoughts of others and we find it appropriate to express the finest wishes to those about us. Would that each of us would sustain this attitude through the days to come. As for us, we pledge to strive for that goal, today, tomorrow, and every day.

A delightful Christmas to you, friends.

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## Humane Actions Toward Animals Pay Dividends

CHICAGO.—Year by year humane acts to animals are paying off. Samaritans who help animals in distress, where these be under 18 years old, win national honors for their efforts.

The American Veterinary Medical association, which bestows the awards, believes that a "cornerstone" of its practice is the "relief of the suffering of domestic animals and livestock."

The association presents its awards to youngsters under 18, either boy or girl, for an exceptional act of kindness to animals during the year.

Nominations are received from throughout the United States and Canada. Winners are chosen by a three-member committee of veterinarians. Presentations are made at the association's annual conventions. Winners get a certificate describing their act of kindness and a \$100 U.S. savings bond.

### Not All for Heroism

The idea was originated by Dr. W. A. Young, 51, director of Chicago's celebrated Anti-Cruelty Society. He headed the award committee until he was succeeded by Dr. S. T. Michael of San Francisco.

Not every award is won for a single act of heroism. The committee also takes into consideration a candidate's record of consistent gentleness and mercy towards animals.

Activities of the youthful entrants include, in addition to the rescue of animals from danger, the staging of benefits for the care of lost dogs and volunteer work in animal hospitals.

Three of the association's six awards have been for heroism; the others for humane deeds for animal friends.

One of the winners was Frank Kiemle, Chicago, who edits "Pet News," a weekly newspaper devoted exclusively to animal stories. The standard-size, 10-page publication is circulated in 21 foreign countries.

Twelve-year-old John Newton of Columbus, Ohio, won the 1946 award for establishing National Cat Week. He gave up his vacation in summer camp to take over the job of winning nationwide recognition of the cat.

### Only One Girl

Suzanne Weller, 14, Pittsburgh, Pa., is the only girl honored. Pretty blonde Suzanne received the 1947 award for her singlehanded capture of a rabid fox terrier which had bitten more than 30 persons, including herself.

Winner of last year's award was Richard Swank, 15, of Mentor, Ohio. He rescued an abandoned and ill puppy. With the aid of a local veterinarian, the boy nursed it back to health. Later he worked to earn his own money to pay for an operation needed to save the animal's life.

A boy's love for his blind dog, a companion since childhood, won the association's 1949 award. Richard Rose, 17, of Detroit, was recognized for his thoughtfulness in building a special headgear fitted with bumpers so the dog could walk without injuring itself. Veterinarians believe the device will be useful for hundreds of other blind dogs.

### 12-Year-Old Has Big Time Spending Pilfered \$375

BOSTON.—A 12-year old boy had a wonderful time spending \$375 he pilfered from a pocketbook. He told police this is how he spent the money:

He spent \$75 treating his pals to ice cream and soda pop.

He tore up \$100 because he thought it was a counterfeit bill.

He gave \$100 each to two friends.

One friend cashed his \$100 bill in a store and the clerk kept \$30 for making change. With the remaining \$70 he bought a harmonica, a cowboy suit and a Sunday-go-to-meeting jacket and pants.

The thrifty member of the trio banked his \$100 to buy new clothes for the fall school term.

### Man Paralyzed 6 Years, Gets New Car, Cash From Friends

GREENVILLE, Pa.—The shiny new automobile rolled to a stop in front of the Ralph Riley home. Ralph, paralyzed for six years, guided his wheelchair to the street. A salesman popped from the car and asked Ralph how he'd like to try the special driving controls that eliminate the use of the feet in driving. Maybe, the salesman said, the controls could be fitted into Ralph's 10-year old car.

Ralph got into the car. The controls worked fine. Another auto pulled up behind him. Some people jumped out. They told Ralph the car was his. They also gave him a collapsible chair, \$75 in cash and paint for the Riley house.

The gifts were from friends and former co-workers. Ralph was hurt while welding on a wartime ship order.

## OUR Christmas MESSAGE... (to one and all)

Because we are proud to call you our friends, we extend to you and yours every good wish we can think of for the Christmas season. It is good to have known you and to serve you. We are grateful, not only from the standpoint of the good business we have enjoyed, but from the knowledge that our greatest asset is the host of friends who remain with us year after year.

We wish you a most pleasant and memorable Christmas.

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Not even old St. Nick... for his wondrous work is done for another year. Just as generously as he has filled small stockings with sugar plums and marvelous toys, he has filled all our hearts with a warm, friendly feeling... the magic

of the season, the true Christmas spirit. And

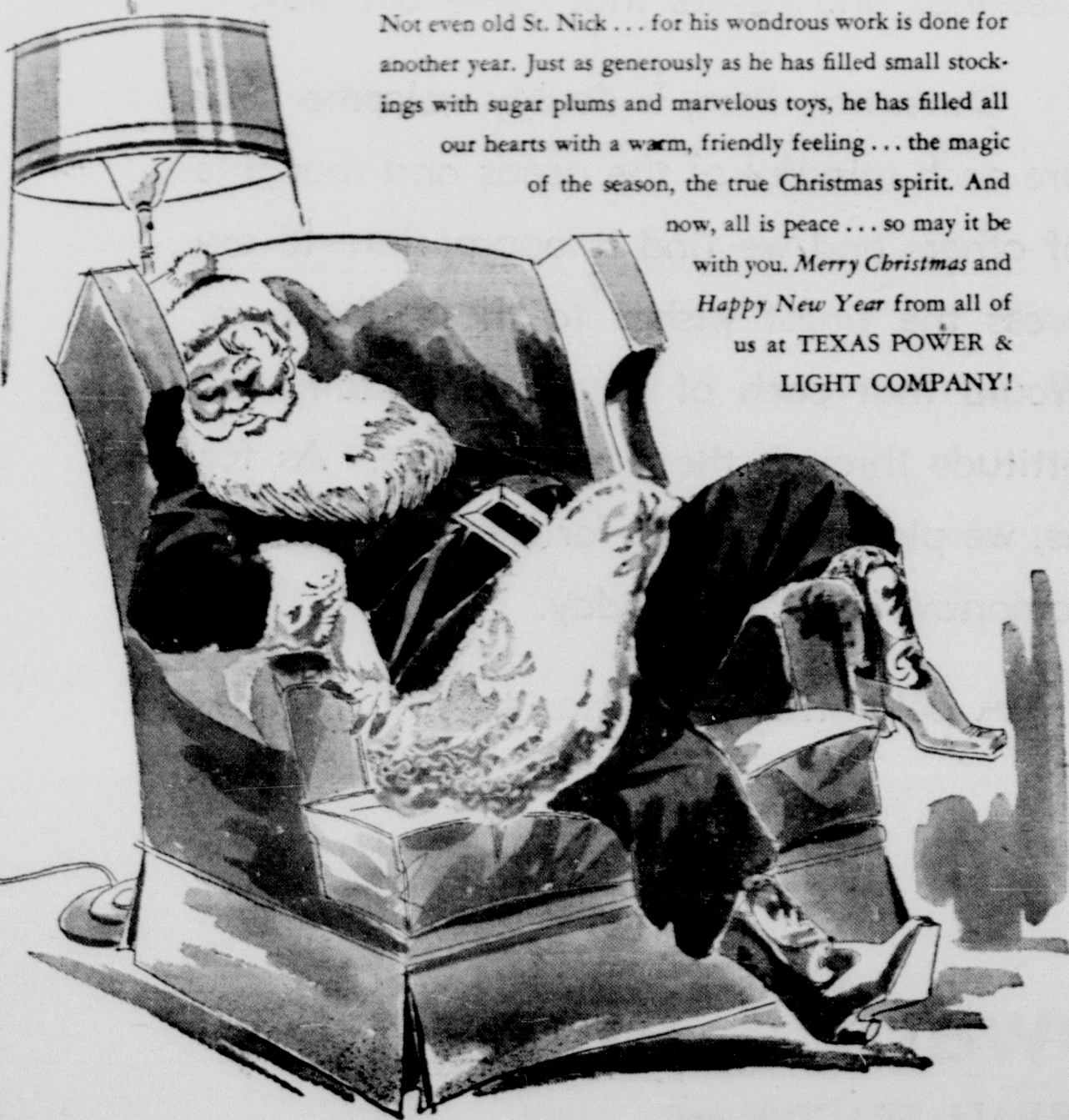
now, all is peace... so may it be

with you. Merry Christmas and

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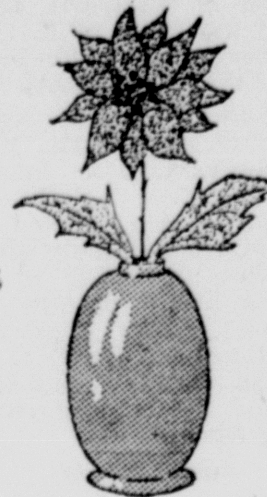


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## Greetings

1949



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## A Sleigh Full of BEST WISHES



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## Rain Makers

Back to Laboratories

NEW YORK. — Scientists can make it rain—but they agree that they can't make it any time, any place. So they are going back to their laboratories to see what they can do about it.

The making of rain with dry ice, experiments with which began some three years ago, cannot be done just with any old cloud or at any old place.

The United States weather bureau has recently concluded three rain-making experiments with negative results they got more than a year ago in tests over Ohio when 150 attempts failed to show how to make rain of economic importance to farmers.

Scientific rainmaking, however, has proved one new point beyond doubt — namely, that clouds, their structure, why the rain and why they develop the power to cause disasters are a lot more intricate than has been supposed.

## Old Indian Village Is to Be Restored By Wisconsin State

AZTALAN, WIS. — Today about 350 persons live here at Aztalan where five hundred years ago about 1,000 Indians dwelt in a thriving village. The Indian inhabitants vanished about 1500 and now the site of the once busy Indian village is a big, bumpy field knee-deep in weeds; but the state of Wisconsin plans someday to reconstruct the village to look just as it did centuries ago.

The state of Wisconsin has purchased the site for a state park. But no construction of the village can be done until the topsoil is carefully scraped away and the undisturbed ground below the plow zone scrutinized.

Ten brawny, sun tanned archaeologists are spending the summer in the middle of the field, carefully scraping the soil off and cataloging everything they find. The expedition, headed by Chandler Rowe, assistant professor of anthropology at Lawrence college, has uncovered many broken jugs, bird and deer bones, shell hoes and an occasional sharp bone used by the Indians as a shuttle in weaving.

From the materials found, the archaeologists reconstruct the culture of the Indians who lived here. Rowe pointed to a circular blackish area about six inches across, and explained that it was a decayed post. Series of such post holes have indicated the exact location of a stockade that surrounded the village and the size and shape of the houses. When the conservation department restores the village, it will be able to sink posts in the exact places where the Indians did.

Archaeologists have been excavating Aztalan off and on since 1919. Their discoveries show pretty certainly that the Indians were from the middle Mississippi valley.

## Chinese Runs Sum of \$10 Into Enormous Fortune

SAN FRANCISCO.—A 66-year-old Chinese who came to San Francisco 49 years ago with \$10 in his pockets has run his worldly fortune into several millions by building a herbal empire, buying real estate, and selling spicy night-club entertainment.

He is fabulous Fong Wan, known mainly as the "king of the herb-alists in North America." He acquired his title by treating thousands who claimed to suffer from almost every ailment known to man.

Although his main business has been herbs, Fong is making thousands in real estate and income from two hotels he owns in San Francisco plus restaurants and night clubs.

## Talking Crow Enrolled At Illinois University

CHAMPAIGN, ILL.—George M. Crowham, a talking crow, is going to school at the University of Illinois.

Dr. O. H. Mowrer, director of the psychological clinic, hopes to establish from George M. Crowham just how babies learn to talk.

David Maxwell, 17, Edwardsville, Ill., who taught the bird to talk gave it to Mowrer. Mowrer believes the process by which the crow was taught to speak is the same as that by which a mother coaxes the first words from a child.

## New York Track Athlete Outwalks Horse Opponent

LAKE GEORGE, N. Y.—William Mihalo set out to show his athletic prowess by outwalking a running horse.

Then, without pausing for breath, he swam a half mile, walked a half mile and ran a half mile in 14 minutes, 25 2/10 seconds.

Mihalo, who claims to be the world's long distance walking champion and holder of four world records and 20 national records, walked 75 yards against Sunny Sus Sis, a horse ridden by Ruth Johnson of Warrensburg.

Mihalo hails from Detroit.

## Fish Leaps into Throat Of Italian Fisherman

VENICE, ITALY.—From now on fisherman Giovanni Casonato, 17, will keep his mouth shut while he is working.

Dispatches from Mestre said he is recovering from an operation. While he was emptying his net the other day, a small fish leaped into his mouth and got stuck in his throat.

The wasp stings with its tail.

In Crystal City, Texas, the spinach capital, there is a 12-foot statue of Popeye.

The Treaty Oak in Austin, Texas, is the only tree represented in the Hall of Fame in Washington.

Black, Blue, Green, Lavender, Magenta and Violet are all names of Texas towns.

Texas' Capital has been moved 13 times.

The pigmy marmoset monkeys of South America are half as big as rats and ten times as active.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Irving of Houston visited Mrs. Dora Hinton and daughters Thanksgiving Day.

Only in one sport must a team travel backwards in order to win, that being Tug of War.

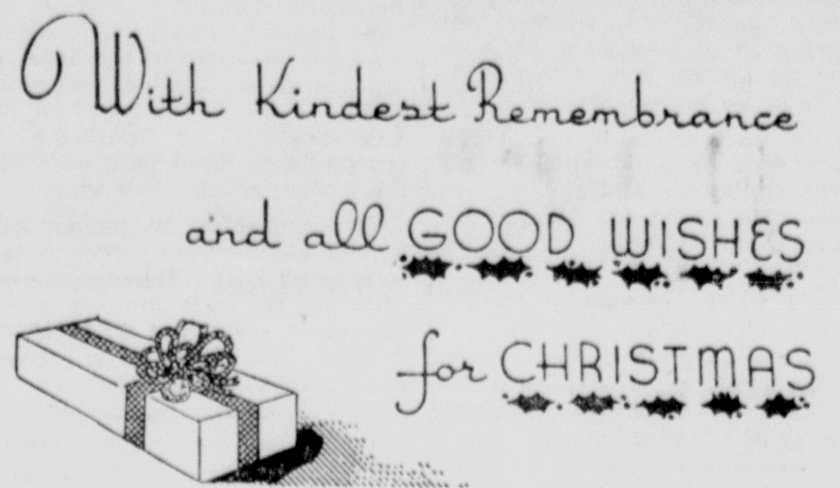
Texas' Capitol building is seven feet higher than the Capitol in Washington, D. C.



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DONDER SAID TO BLITZEN...

# "LISTEN, DEER"

"Listen, Blitz," said Donder the reindeer, "my feet are killing me. Somebody's just going to have to tell Mr. Nicholas that we're not beasts of burden! Totin' these big, bulky gifts year after year is beginning to wear my arches."

"Ah ha!" smiled Blitz. "Your foot troubles are over, m'boy. This year the load is going to be ever so much lighter because sensible people are giving a new kind of Christmas present."

"Give me the happy scoop," pleaded Donder.

"Well, I speak of U. S. Savings Bonds—they're so right in every way! First they save people all the bother of rush shopping and the knotty problem of 'what to give.'"

"Then, of course, they are the finest form of saving ever invented. You just put them aside and let them grow fat and prosperous. In ten years they are worth \$4 for every \$3 originally invested."

"Wow!" said Donder. "This looks like a light and happy Christmas for everybody!"

**AUTOMATIC SAVING IS SURE SAVING—  
U.S. SAVINGS BONDS**



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### Army's Assistant Boss Gets Nickname 'Sugar'

WASHINGTON. — The newly-installed assistant secretary of the army had a new nickname—and his boss a red face.

The nickname: "Sugar."

It began when army secretary Gordon Gray dictated a telegram inviting guests to witness the swearing in of Archibald S. Alexander as assistant secretary. The middle name is Stephens.

In the background is the army's well-known phonetic alphabet for identifying initials and spelling out words—such as "A for Able, B for Baker, C for Charlie and S for Sugar."

Here's what Alexander's friends received from Gray:

"You are cordially invited to attend the swearing in of Mr. Archibald Sugar Alexander as assistant secretary of the army . . ."

Since 1840 every President of the United States elected in a year ending in zero, except the year 1900, has died in office.

### Bass Takes Forefinger Of Fish Resort Owner

PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, Wis. — "Are they biting," inquired a prospective renter of a fishing boat at the C. M. Brooks boat livery on the Mississippi river at McGregor, Iowa, opposite this city.

"They sure are," came the emphatic answer.

Brooks wasn't fooling—they sure had been "biting." Just a short time before, Brooks had been leaning over the edge of the dock, pulling out grass clinging to the float. With a swirl in the water, a black bass grabbed his forefinger, held on, and was lifted part way out of the water before it let go.

"It was about 12 inches long," Brooks said. "Bass have no teeth, so it didn't hurt." Then, with a grin, "the saying is it ain't a story if dog bites man, but it is a story if man bites dog. How about it when a fish bites man?"

At no time has water failed to flow over Niagrn Falls. However, one-third of the flow has been checked by ice during several winters.

Only the female gnat bites.

### Friends

Boy Risks Life for Dog

LIGONIER, Pa.—A fellow will do a lot for his best friend—even risk his own life. That's what 13-year old Billy Brant did when he heard his dog "Boots" yelp in pain and saw a copperhead snake poised to strike the little cocker spaniel again.

Billy jumped on the snake, tramping its twisting body. The snake drew back its head and sank its fangs in Billy's leg.

Billy was hurried to a doctor in Ligonier and then taken to a hospital in critical condition. He was released after a week's treatment.

In the excitement Boots was overlooked, but the dog knew a treatment of her own. She chewed some grass, pawed a hole in the earth and rested her wound in the soft earth. Boots recovered but her litter of pups, born a few days later, died.

Billy was hobbling about on crutches a week later. The snake is dead, tracked down and killed by a cousin of the little boy who wouldn't let his best friend down.

### Library of Congress Bans Further Literature Awards

WASHINGTON. — Congress has moved to avoid disputes such as that over the Ezra Pound poetry prize by ordering the Library of Congress not to hand out any more literary awards.

Chairman Theodore Green (D., R.I.) who announced the decree, said his joint senate-house library committee would not investigate the Pound award, as had been demanded by a group of house members, but added that there would be no more such awards.

The now insane Pound, who is under indictment for war-time treason, received the \$1,000 Bollingen poetry prize for his "Pisan Cantos," which he wrote while held in a prisoner-of-war camp in Italy for broadcasting for Mussolini.

Librarian Luther H. Evans announced later that he is canceling all prizes and awards. Besides the Bollingen award, the Library had given the Elizabeth Sprague Coolidge medal for "eminent services to chamber music," and three awards in connection with the annual exhibition of prints.

One million insects have been classified by scientists.

## CHRISTMAS

with all good wishes for Christmas  
and a sincere thanks for  
all past favors

## GREETINGS

### Lou Coward Beauty Shop

CAMERON

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Merry Christmas



This Day shines with meaning—perhaps it is the glow of wonder in the eyes of children, or the gleam of church spires lifted to the skies—this day—set apart—lights a lamp of faith in every heart.

We send this word of Christmas Cheer out of gratitude for your Friendship and Good Will—the only enduring Assets that have come our way in 1949.

We thank you, and you and you, for your patronage and loyalty and the opportunity we had to serve you. We look forward to this happy association in the future.

**Emory B. Camp**  
"INSURANCE for your every need"

Merry Christmas

IT ADDS MUCH TO THE  
JOY OF CHRISTMAS TO  
SEND OUR VERY BEST  
WISHES TO THOSE  
WHOM WE SERVE

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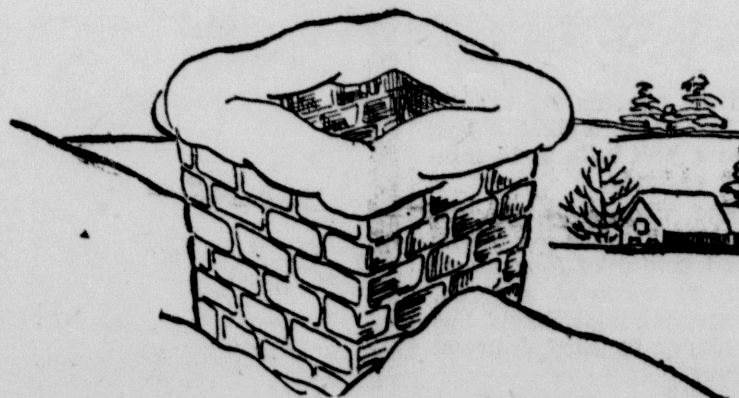
It won't be long until  
old Saint Nick will be  
knocking at your chimney,  
bringing you loads of  
happiness and joy. But  
before he arrives, we  
want to drop in for just  
a little visit to wish you a

**JOYFUL CHRISTMAS**

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With every good wish  
for a

MERRY CHRISTMAS

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#### Aviator Injured Holding Back Pilotless Plane

NEW YORK.—A young aviator was injured when he seized the tail of his runaway plane and managed to stop it from taking off without a pilot from Staten Island airport.

Arthur Serota, 26, of Corona, N. Y., said he was cranking the propeller of his two seat monoplane when its passenger, a 19 year old girl, accidentally pushed the throttle and the plane started to take off.

Serota grabbed the tail of the plane as it went by and attempted to hold it on the runway. He was dragged along the ground for several minutes before the plane came to a halt.

He suffered bruises, a cerebral concussion and a possible fractured shoulder.

It is generally agreed that the "seven deadly sins" are: Pride, Covetousness, Lust, Anger, Gluttony, Envy and Slothfulness.

The largest number of flashes of lightning in one period ever recorded is 354 in 44 minutes in Buffalo.

A moth folds its wings flat, while a butterfly folds its wings vertically.

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#### B's In a Bus, Not a Hive, Buzz Toward Los Angeles

TROY, N. Y. — Eighteen Baylys piled into the family bus recently and headed for Los Angeles. This number includes three generations — children, parents and grandparents.

When Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bayly recently decided to take their first vacation in 20 years, they bought a school bus. That's what they needed for their 14 children and Bayly's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Archer Bayly.

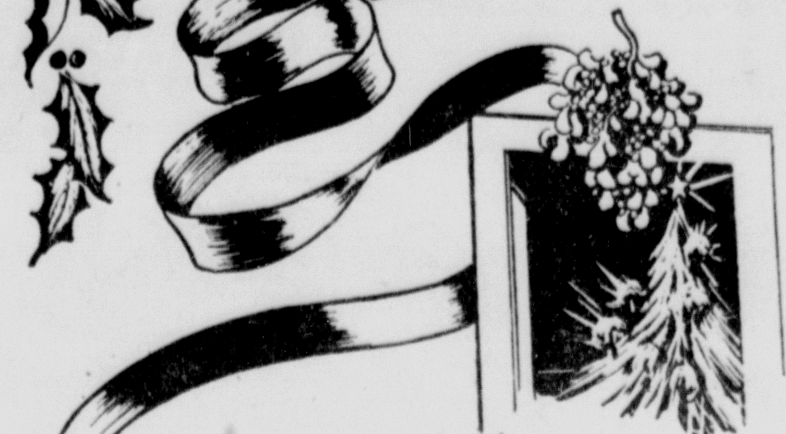
Bayly, 38, packed a small field kitchen for cooking. When practical, the family slept in a 16 by 16 foot tent.

When the Bayly children were christened, names beginning with "B" were selected. The roster runs like this:

Beverly, 18; Buddy, 17; Barry, 16; Barbara, 14; Bette, 13; Bradley, 12; Brian, 10; Bernice, 8; Blake, 7; Brenda, 6; Bernadette, 4; Beryl, 3; Bernard, 2; Benjamin, 1.

"Selling Short" means selling something you don't own, but which you expect to buy.

The  
crackling of holly leaves.



mistletoe over  
the door....

caroling voices of children  
what could this mean but  
Christmas?

The crackling of holly leaves, mistletoe over the door, caroling voices of children . . . what else could this mean but Christmas? Yes, that joyous day is here and we of this organization wish you the most delightful one anybody could have

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To greet you  
and to bring you  
every happy wish  
for CHRISTMAS



**NEWTON CLINIC**

Dr. W. R. Newton

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Officials of your Chamber of Commerce are thinking now of the fine co-operation they have had in the common effort behind our program in 1949.

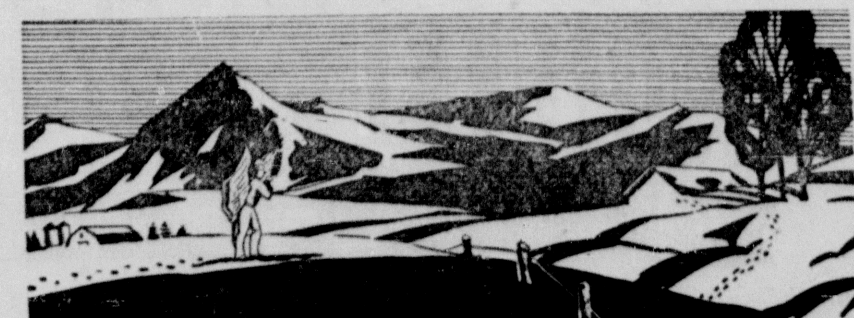
As we look back over the months we have much for which we can justly be proud. Our achievements have been the sum total of your efforts as well and we are deeply grateful for the opportunity to join with hundreds of business men and firms in expressing appreciation through our newspapers.

Your Chamber of Commerce has many plans for the New Year and with your continued support and confidence we will be able to do bigger and better things for Cameron.

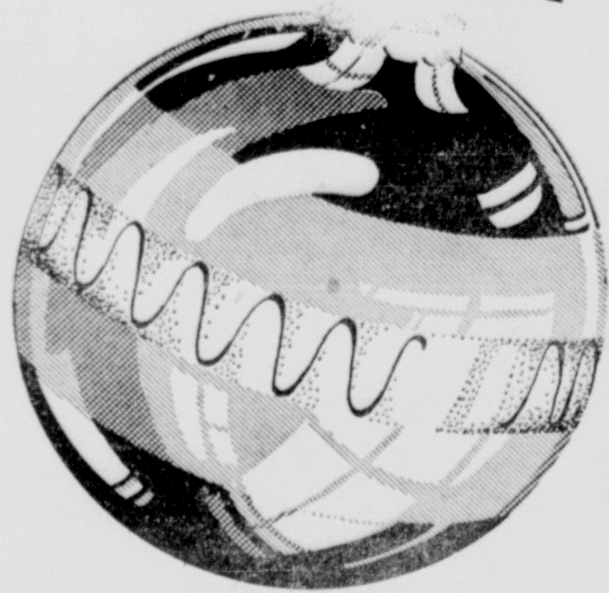
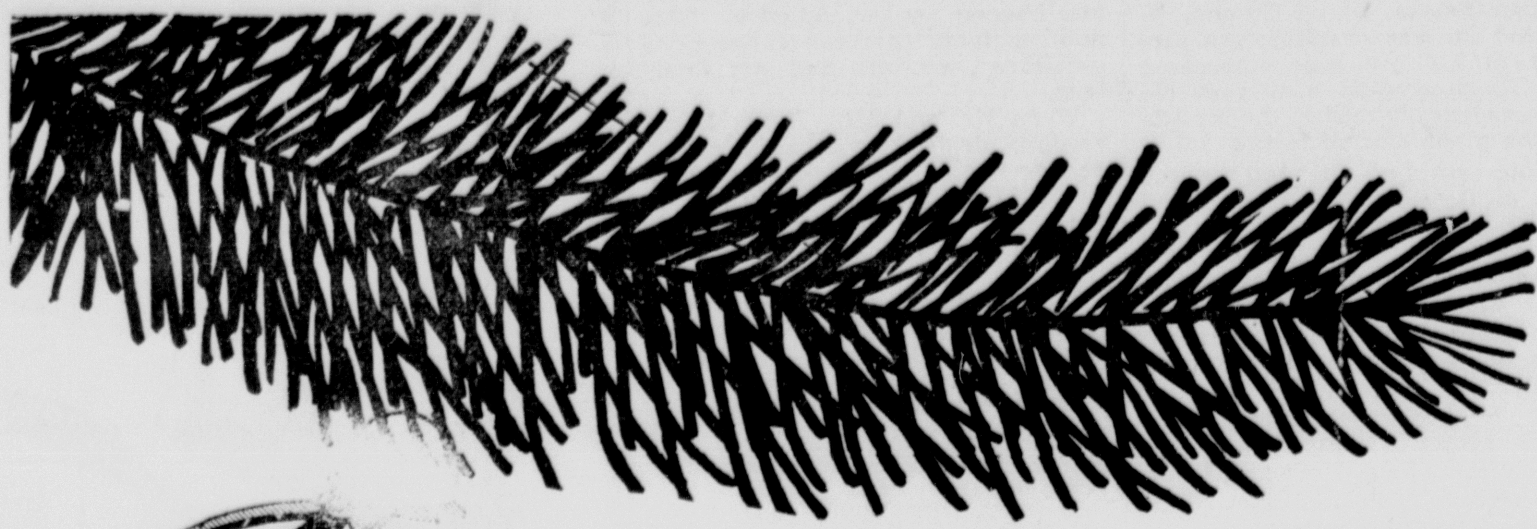
We remember with especial gratitude each one who has had a share in the good work of the year.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

**Chamber  
of Commerce**







# MERRY CHRISTMAS

That grand old day is here again and we're glad! Christmas, with its warm cordiality and good fellowship, is a very welcome occasion to all of us. It is good to be among loved ones and friends, to enjoy their associations, to have a genuine feeling of contentment, free from the troublesome problems that confront us in our daily tasks.

Christmas gives us that one special occasion in which we can, in some manner, express our appreciation for the good will and consideration of those whom we serve. We are grateful throughout the year, of course, but at Christmastime, when the year is just closing, we deem it particularly appropriate to think back over the preceding year, and to recall the many pleasant moments that make up the important things of life.

And so, with our Christmas sentiment of good wishes, we add a hearty and genuine thank you for your friendships and good will.



MAY THE TRUE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS REMAIN WITH

YOU ALWAYS



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